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Public Notices.

THEATRE ROYAL, DUBLIN.
Mr. Harris has the honor to announce the
ENGAGEMENT OF Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES KEAN
For a Limited Period. They will be assisted by Mrs Chapman, Miss N. Chapman, Mr. G. Everett, and Mr. J. F. Cathcart, late members of the Royal Princess' Company.
On THIS WEDNESDAY, NOV. 28, 1860,
The performances will commence with Shakespere's Play entitled
THE MERCHANT OF VENICE.
Shylock - - Mr Charles Kean.
Bassanio - - Mr J F Cathcart.
Gratiano - - Mr G Everett.
Antonio - - Mr Frank Huntley.
Portia - - Mrs Charles Kean.
Nerissa - - Miss Chapman.
Jessica - - Miss N Chapman.
To conclude with the Laughable Farce entitled the
BATH ROAD,
Or, the Fox and the Wolf.
Tom - - Mr. H. Barfoot
Ellen - - Mrs. Walter Baynham.
Box Office open from 11 to 4 daily, where places may be secured.
Private Boxes, 3 Guineas—2½ Guineas—2 Guineas—1½ Guineas.
Dress Circle, 5s; Second Circle, 3s 6d; Pit, 2s; Lower Gallery, 1s; Upper Gallery, 6d.
No Second Price.

THEATRE ROYAL DUBLIN.
BY COMMAND OF
HIS EXCELLENCY THE LORD LIEUTENANT
MR. AND MRS. CHARLES KEAN.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1860,
The Performances will commence with Mrs. Centlivre's Comedy, in Three Acts, entitled
THE WONDER A WOMAN KEEPS A SECRET.
Don Felix - - Mr Charles Kean
Donna Violante - - Mrs Charles Kean
To Conclude with the admired Farce of
A ROLAND FOR AN OLIVER.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL THEATRE
Second appearance of the Juvenile and Versatile Actor, Mr WYBERT ROUSBY.
On this WEDNESDAY EVENING, 28th November, 1860,
The performances will commence with the historical Drama (in three acts), entitled
THE MAN WITH THE IRON MASK.
Gaston - - Mr Wybert Rousby.
D'Aubigne - - Mr G Vincent.
Marie D'Oslanges - - Miss S Miles.
GRAND BALLET DIVERTISSEMENT,
By Miss Morrison and Corps de Ballet.
After which, the comic Drama (in one act), entitled
LOVE'S DISGUISES.
Captain Sansprue - - Mr Wybert Rousby.
Helen de Montbrun - - Miss S Miles.
Mr. FREDERIC MACCABE, Author and Composer of the new National Song, "The Shamrock," &c., will sing "The Whistling Thief," Irish characteristic song, by Samuel Lover, Esq.
To be followed by the Scotch Drama of
BROTHER SANDY M'DONALD.
Mr Merrit - - Mr H Vivash
Sandy - - Mr George Fisher
Hector Frampton - - Mr G Vincent.
Maggy M'Donald - - Miss A Denvil
Doors open at half-past 6. Performances to commence at 7.
Admission—Boxes 2s; Pit, 1s; Lower Gallery, 6d; Upper Gallery, 3d. Second Price at 9 o'clock—Boxes 1s; Pit, 6.

PAUL DELAROCHE'S LAST GREAT WORK,
THE MARTYR.
Now Exhibiting at
A. LESAGE'S
GALLERY,
40, LOWER SACKVILLE-STREET.
This beautiful work of art, by the late PAUL DELAROCHE, who painted Napoleon at Fontainebleau, will be on view for a few days. Admission without Cards 6d.
40, Lower Sackville-street.

ONE SHILLING PER SHARE.
ART UNION OF GREAT BRITAIN.
(Under the Sanction of her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council).
At the last Drawing, which took place in the Free Trade Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, June 30, 1860, there were 750 Prizes distributed, including upwards of One Hundred Paintings from £150 downwards.
The NEXT DRAWING will take place on SATURDAY, December 29th, 1860, in the Free Trade Hall, Manchester, and will embrace
200 Pictures Prizes .. .. .. (See list.)
250 Statuettes, &c. &c. .. .. (See list.)
200 Engravings in Gilt Frames .. (See list.)
And 300 Sets of Photographs .. .. (See list.)
MAKING A GRAND TOTAL OF ONE THOUSAND PRIZES.
This Art Union is not connected with any Exhibition of Paintings either in Manchester or elsewhere. To prevent disappointment, purchasers should, therefore, take particular care that their tickets are for the ART UNION of GREAT BRITAIN.
Tickets—One Guinea each—entitling the holder to one chance in the drawing, may be had from all the principal Printsellers, Music, and Booksellers; or they will be forwarded direct by the Secretary on receipt of an envelope stamped and directed, together with Postage Stamps or Post Office Order for the number of Tickets required.
JAMES G. LAW, Secretary.
39, Princess-street, Manchester.
THE ART UNION OF GREAT BRITAIN.—"It is but justice to say, that in so far as concerns the promise of the Manchester Shilling Art Union, to distribute works of Art objects to subscribers, that promise has been kept."—*Art Journal*.
Tickets may be had from A. Lesage, 40, Lower Sackville-street; Wisehart and Son, Sackville-street; and E. Smith, Aglesea-street, Dublin.

UNDERGRADUATE PHILOSOPICAL SOCIETY, TRINITY COLLEGE.
The Opening Meeting of this Society for the present Session will be held in the Dining-hall of Trinity College, on THURSDAY EVENING, the 29th inst., at Eight o'clock (College time)—the Right Hon. James Anthony Lawson, M.P., in the chair. The Address will be delivered by Robert Hall, F.T.C.
Tickets of admission may be had on application to the Honorary Secretary, No. 94, College.
ERNEST G. SWIFTE, Hon. Sec.
Nov. 26, 1860.

UNIVERSITY ELECTORS.
Gentlemen who are entitled, this year, to compound for their Elective Franchise in the University of Dublin, will please to observe that they should do so previous to the 1st day of December next.
Communications to be forwarded to the Registrar of Electors, No. 2, Trinity College, Dublin.
26th November, 1860.

ELECTION OF BOROUGH ASSESSOR.
TO THE CONSERVATIVE BURGESSES OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN.
GENTLEMEN,—I beg leave to remind my friends that the Election of Assessor for this City will take place on MONDAY next, the 3rd of December, at the ASSEMBLY-HOUSE, WILLIAM-STREET, commencing at Nine o'clock a.m., and ending at Four o'clock p.m.
Each Burgess can only vote for One Gentleman, and I am sure it will be a contest, I request the early voting of my supporters.—I am, Gentlemen, your obedient and faithful servant,
JAMES M. HYNDMAN.
4, Belvidere-place, Nov. 27.

A CARD.
MR. GRAHAM, Town Councillor for the Mansion House Ward, begs to return his sincere thanks to the Conservative and Independent Liberal Burgesses who so warmly supported him at the election for representation of the ward, and to the many friends who interested themselves so successfully in securing his return.
Nov. 27th, 1860.

TO THE BURGESSES OF THE MOUNTJOY WARD.
27th November, 1860.
GENTLEMEN,—I beg leave, respectfully, to tender you my warm thanks for the support I received, on Monday last, at the Municipal Election.
To the gentlemen who, without any solicitation on my part, voluntiered their services as canvassers, &c., I am extremely grateful. I regret not being personable, at the close of the election, to thank you audibly for your exertions, but this, many of you are aware, was owing to mob violence. I should also, had I been permitted, have given a strong denial to the calumnious assertions of my opponents, who, in the flush of victory, forgot the language becoming a gentleman.
Allow me, in conclusion, respectfully to suggest, that if you are anxious to have the Ward fairly represented, the battle is as much to be fought at the registry as at the hustings.—I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, your grateful and obliged servant,
SAMUEL EAKINS.
Upper Sackville-street.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION.
TO THE BURGESSES OF THE ROTUNDO WARD.
GENTLEMEN,—I beg to thank you sincerely for having elected me a fourth time as your representative in the Town Council, which is the most gratifying to me, as it expresses your satisfaction of the manner in which I have now, for upwards of ten years, discharged the important duties you entrusted to me.
The result of this election has proved that the Conservative gentlemen of the Rotundo Ward can always elect a person to represent their sentiments in the Corporation; for though I and the Burgesses of this district were led to believe that my election would have been unopposed, yet, notwithstanding all the disadvantages of a surprise, my election was triumphantly carried by a large majority, for which I again return you my best thanks, and remain your obliged and faithful servant,
ARTHUR BAKER.
84, Upper Gardiner-street.
27th November, 1860.

TO THE BURGESSES OF THE NORTH DOCK WARD.
GENTLEMEN,—Accept my thanks for the honour you have conferred upon me in electing me to the office of Town Councillor of your Ward.
It will be my pleasing duty, as it is my interest, to support such measures in the Corporation as may tend to the improvement of our city, and of this Ward in particular.
I remain, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,
PETER PAUL M'SWINEY.
Nov. 27th, 1860. 23 to 27, Lower Sackville-street.

TO CONTRACTORS.
The Governors of the Hospital and Free School of King Charles the Second, Oxmantown, will receive tenders for supplying the following articles for twelve months from the 1st of January next:—
Meat—Beef Rounds of Ox, without bone, per lb.
Legs, per lb.
Ox Heads, per lb.
Mutton Legs, Wedder, per lb.
Bread, per 4lb loaf.
Milk New, per gallon.
Shoes, per pair.
Repairs, per pair.
(Or to keep each Boy in shoes as per Boy, per year.)
Soap, White, per cwt.
Soap, Brown, per cwt.
Candles, Moulds, per lb.
Starch, per stone.
Rice, per lb.
Forms of tender can be had on application at the Hospital.
Tenders to be sent to S. N. Lane, Registrar, on or before WEDNESDAY, the 19th December next.
The King's Hospital, Oxmantown,
27th November, 1860.

POSTPONEMENT OF SAILING.
STEAM TO LONDON, calling at Falmouth, Plymouth, Southampton, and Portsmouth. The Steamship DUKE OF CORNWALL is intended to Sail from 46, North Wall, Dublin, This Day (WEDNESDAY), the 28th day of November, at Seven o'clock After-noon, instead of 10 Morning.
For particulars, apply at CAROLIN & EGAN'S, No. 26, EDEN-QUAY, or at the British and Irish Steampacket Company's Office, No. 46, NORTH-WALL, Dublin.
W. J. EGAN, Secretary.

DUBLIN AND GLASGOW STEAM-PACKET COMPANY.
The Dublin and Glasgow Steampacket Company's steamships Havelock, Herald, and Vanguard sail to and from Glasgow, calling at Greenock every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, until further notice.
Herald, This Day (Wednesday), 28th, at 7 o'clock Afternoon.
A. & C. TAYLOR, Agents,
North-wall, Dublin.

CAUTION.—The Public are Cautioned against taking a Cheque on the Royal Bank of Ireland No. B 89012, the same having been Stolen, and payment stopped at the Bank.

BRITISH, IRISH, AND FOREIGN PATENT OFFICE,
4, CLAYTON-SQUARE, LIVERPOOL,
AND
13, EUSTACE-STREET, DUBLIN.
G. LANGMAN and Co., Consulting Engineers, offer their services to inventors and others wishing to procure legal protection for inventions or designs.
Agents for Patent and other Machinery.
Starkey's Patent Washing Machine.
Patent Gas Regulators, which produce perfect combustion in gas, and save consumers from 20 to 25 per cent. in their present consumption.

PRAYER MEETING.—DORSET INSTITUTION.
A Prayer Meeting will be held this day, from Two till Three o'clock.
The presence of business men is affectionately desired.

THE DUBLIN YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,
Established A.D. 1849,
The Second of the Twelfth Course of Lectures in Young Men will be delivered (D.V.) in the Metropolitan Hall, Lower Abbey-street, on THURSDAY EVENING Next, 29th NOV., at Eight o'clock, by the Rev. C. M. FREMANTLE, D.D.
Subject—"Abraham and Lot, a Contrast."
The Meetings of the Association for the Study of the Holy Scriptures are held every Sunday Afternoon, at Five o'clock, and every Friday evening at Eight o'clock, in the Reading Rooms, 103, Middle Abbey-street; and at the Township Schoolhouse, Rathmines, every Monday evening, at Eight o'clock, to which young men are affectionately invited.
W. J. STOKES, Secretary.
Library and Office, 103, Middle Abbey-street,
29th November, 1860.

DUBLIN BY LAMPLIGHT,
BALLS BRIDGE.
OFFICE—32, UPPER BAGGOT-STREET, DUBLIN.
President—The Right Hon. the Earl of MAYO.
Patrons—His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Dublin, the Right Hon Joseph Napier, the Right Hon the Earl of Roden, the Right Hon Baron Greene, the Hon G. J. Crampton, the Hon and Very Rev the Dean of St Patrick's, &c; the Ven the Archdeacon of Kildare.
Patronesses—The Countess of Mayo, the Lady Charlotte Wolfe, the Lady Maria Forrester, the Hon Mrs Faxenham, Mrs Greene.
Trustees—Hon G HANDCOCK, E J SMITH, Esq; H TWEEDY, Esq, M D.
Committee—Mrs Wolseley, Mrs R P Hackett, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Simon Foot, Mrs Ormsby; Hon George Handcock, J H Hamilton, Esq, MP, Anthony LEFROY, Esq, MP; Rev Philip Smith, B J Greene, Esq; Rev Twesby, Rev H J L M'Ghee, Dr M'Clintock; Dr Law, James Hawkins, Esq; Edward J Smith, Esq; Rev R Frizelle, Rev D Stuart, Rev Wolseley, M A Saurin, Esq; Rev W G Carroll.
J HANS HAMILTON, Esq, M P } Hon.
ANTHONY LEFROY, Esq, M P } Secs.
Rev W G CARROLL, }
32, Upper Baggot-street. } Sec.
The Committee, thankfully acknowledging the very liberal support which they have received during the past year, beg earnestly to solicit renewed subscriptions.
The Report for 1859 is now printed, and can be had on application to the Secretary.
The enlargement of the laundry and dryingroom (which could no longer be deferred) has required a serious outlay; but past experience affords the assurance that this appeal shall not be addressed in vain to Christian Liberality for the means to meet this expenditure and maintain the Institution in full efficiency.
There are Thirty-eight inmates in the house.
Contributions will be received by any member of the committee, by Messrs. Stall, Bankers, Henry-street; by the Institution, Balls's bridge; or by the Secretary, the Rev. W. G. Carroll, at the Office, 9, Upper Ormond-quay, to whom Post Office Orders should be made payable.

WORK WELL DONE.
SEMPSTRESS INSTITUTION,
76, GRAFTON-STREET,
Every description of Needlework, including Ladies' Underclothing, and Dressing Gowns.
Dresses made and repaired; Gentlemen's Shirts; Clergymen's Surplices; Gowns, Bands, Quilting, &c.
Workers may be engaged by the day at Ladies' own houses.
Subscriptions in aid of the Funds of this institution will be thankfully received and acknowledged by the Matron, at 76, Grafton-street, or by Miss Henn, 3, Wilton-place, Secretary. Warerooms, on the first floor.
☞ Take Notice—Entrance through the shop of the Industrial Institution.

LONDON AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY.
CHESTER AND HOLYHEAD LINE.
DAY BOAT.
ALTERATION OF TIME OF SAILING—ACCELERATED SERVICE.
On and after the 1st November the EXPRESS BOAT will leave the New Pier, Kingstown, daily (Sundays excepted), at 9-30 a.m., instead of 8-45 a.m., as heretofore.
The Train, in connexion with this boat will be due in London at 10-50 p.m. Greenwich time.
An Express Train will leave Westland-row Station at 9-15 a.m.
(By order)
Chester, 29th Oct. J. O. BINGER.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
Alterations of Trains on and after the 1st NOVEMBER, 1860.
DOWN TRAINS.
The 4 p m from Dublin will not stop at Moyvalley and Hill of Down.
The 5 0 p m from Dublin will run on to Mullingar, and stop at intermediate stations.
The 7 30 p m Mail from Dublin, will stop at Clonsilla.
A Train will leave Athenry for Galway at 9 47 a m, on the arrival of the 9 0 a m from Tuam.
UP TRAINS.
A Train will leave Mullingar at 7 a m for Dublin, and stop at intermediate stations.
The 5 0 a m Train from Galway to Athenry will be altered to 10 40 a m.
ATHENRY AND TUAM LINE.
DOWN TRAINS.
A Train will leave Athenry for Tuam at 11 15 a m.
The 1 15 p m Train will be altered to 1 5 p m.
UP TRAINS.
The 6 15 a m Train will be discontinued.
The 2 p m Parliamentary Train will be altered to 3 45 p m.
Additional Trains will leave Tuam at 8 a m, 12 15 p m, and 7 30 p m.
W. FORBES, Manager.
Broadstone, Dublin, 30th October, 1860.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
GOODS AND CATTLE TRAFFIC.
The Stations on the Tuam Line are now open for Goods and Cattle Traffic.
Particulars as to rates, &c., can be obtained at the Stations.
Broadstone, Dublin, W. FORBES, Manager.
13th November, 1860.

Education.

ACADEMY OF VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, 11, CHARLEMONT-PLACE.
Mr. WALKER, Principal.
A Singing Class for Gentlemen is in course of formation, to meet on Monday and Thursday Evenings, at Eight o'clock.
Prospectuses on application.

ESTABLISHMENT FOR YOUNG LADIES.—Arran Villa, Monkstown, near Dublin.
Principal, Miss DREW.
The House is most delightfully situated, commanding a good and mountain view, is within a few mi utes' walk of the Church and Rail. The Salt-hill and Monkstown Golf Links grounds are enclosed and afford every facility for the promotion of the health and recreation of the pupils.
Masters of eminence are in attendance for German, Music, Singing, Drawing, Calisthenics, and the higher branches of an English Education. The greatest care is devoted to the formation of moral and religious principles, and the intellectual training is adapted to fit the young for the practical duties of life.
A resident French Governess, a Protestant; also a Resident Governess for Music.—References are kindly permitted to the Rev Ronald MacDonnell, Monkstown Glebe, and to numerous parents of pupils.

WOODVIEW SCHOOL, MERRION AVENUE, BLACKROCK, DUBLIN.
RE-OPENED ON THE 1st OF AUGUST.
H. T. HUMPHREYS receives as Boarders a limited number of young Gentlemen, to whose mental and moral culture he pays every attention.
The course of instruction includes Classics, Science, Modern Language, and Drawing; and preparation, as may be desired, for Commercial pursuits, or for Collegiate or Competitive Examinations.
Scriptural Education is attended to, and the pupils have access to a good library, and to extensive collections in Natural History.
The Playground is large.
Day Pupils also received.
Unexceptional references given and required.

COLLEGIATE SCHOOL, 23, RATHMINES-ROAD.
PRINCIPALS:
REV. CHARLES W. BENSON, A.B., T.C.D.;
FREEMAN C. WILLS, A.B., T.C.D.
Classical Masters—THOMAS TOMLINSON, Sch. and First Classical Sizar, T.C.D, and JAMES CUMMINS, Sch. T.C.D.
Science Master—JOHN HOLMES, First Honorman in Science, T.C.D., lately Head Mathematical Master, Royal School, Dungannon.
Hebrew Master—ROBERT CONOLLY, Hebrew Sizar, T.C.D.
French and German Master—Rev. OSCAR KRAHMER, of Jena University.
Writing and Drawing Master—WILLIAM HAYWARD.
A few boarders received.
The pupils of this School have the exclusive right to a field in the neighbourhood.

Legal Notices.

LANDED ESTATES' COURT, IRELAND.
GENERAL NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS.
In the matter of the Estate of George Sisson Wybrants and of George Wybrants, Emily Wybrants, Annette Wybrants, and Esther Anne Wybrants, minors, by said G. S. Wybrants, their father and next friend, Owners and Petitioners.
THE COURT has ordered a Sale of the Lands of Ballaghclay, situate in the barony of Rathvilly, County of Carlow, held under lease dated the 19th day of August, 1716, for lives renewable for ever:
All parties objecting to a sale of the said lands are hereby required to take notice of said order, and all persons having claims thereon may file such claims duly verified, with the Clerk of the Records.
Dated this 17th day of November, 1860.
H. DENEY URLIN, Examiner.
JOHN DAVIS VANSTON, Solicitor having carriage, 44, Fleet-street.

In the matter of the personal Estate and Effects of William Martin, deceased.
ALL Persons claiming to be Creditors of William Martin, late of William-street, in the county of the city of Dublin, and of Tallaght, in the county Dublin, poulterer, deceased, who died on or about the 14th day of October, 1860, are hereby required on or before the 31st day of January, 1861, to furnish in writing the particulars of their debts, or of their claims or demands which they may have against the assets of the deceased, to the administrator, Isaac Martin, of Finglas, farmer, and Delgany, in the co. of Wicklow, farmer, or to his solicitor herein mentioned; and all parties are required to take notice that immediately after the said 31st day of January, 1861, the administrator will proceed to distribute the assets without regard to any claim or demand of which they shall not have notice up to the time of the said distribution thereof; and all parties indebted to the said deceased are required to pay the amount of their respective debts to the said administrator, or his solicitor.
Dated this 27th November, 1860.
WILLIAM JAMES SHILLIDAY, Solicitor for the Administrator,
6, St. Andrew-street, Dublin.

THE IRISH BANKRUPT AND INSOLVENT ACT, 1857.
IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the matter of Andrew M'Manus, of Enniskillen, in the county of Fermanagh, Woollendraper, a Bankrupt.
THE Judges of the Court of Bankruptcy and Insolvency will sit at said Court, in Dublin, on FRIDAY, the 14th day of November, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the Forenoon, for the surrender of the said Bankrupt, proof of debts, and choice of an assignee in this matter, of which sitting all persons concerned are to take notice.
All persons indebted to the said Bankrupt in any sum whatever, or who have any of his estate or effects, are not to pay or deliver the same except to Charles Henry James, Esq., of No. 19, Upper Ormond-quay, Dublin, the official assignee.
All persons knowing of the concealment of any property of the said Bankrupt are requested to give notice thereof to the Agent.
Dated this 26th day of Nov., 1860.
JAMES D. MELDON, Agent to the Bankruptcy, No. 1, Upper Ormond-quay, Dublin.

Houses and Lands.

COUNTY GALWAY.
The following GRAZING FARMS TO BE LET, and immediate possession given:—
Part of the Townland of GUNNOD, containing 165a. Irish.
CLOONKEEN (NETTERVILLE), 60a. Irish).
KILCOOSH, 246a. Irish.
These Lands, part of the Estate of Mrs. NETTERVILLE GERRARD, are situated within five miles of Ballynar; three of Mountbellew; ten from Roscommon, and about nine from the Woodlawn Station M. G. W. Railway.
The Herds will show the Lands.
For terms, and further particulars, apply to
MATTHEW WILD O'CONNOR, Esq.,
Land Agent, Longford.
November 1st, 1860.

Lodgings.

TO BE LET, one or two Furnished Bedrooms, at 8, Merrion-row.

NORTH SIDE—TO BE LET, in a good street, a well-furnished Drawingroom and Bedroom in the house of a respectable private family, where there are no children.—Address "L. M. N.," Irish Times Office.

MOST DESIRABLE FURNISHED LODGINGS, at No. 6, Lower Dominick-street, 2 doors from the Albert Hotel, consisting of a spacious Drawingroom Floor, and an additional Bedroom if required.

Mercantile Sales.

AUCTION OF SUGAR.
JAMES STOKES, WIDOW, AND SONS,
WILL SELL BY AUCTION,
At their Office, Commercial-buildings, on
To-morrow (THURSDAY), the 29th inst., 1860,
At TWO o'clock precisely,
200 HHDS. 22 TIERCES CUBA SUGAR,
Just arrived ex "Mountjoy."
JAMES STOKES, WIDOW, AND SONS, Brokers.
23nd November, 1860.

Auctions.

CLEARANCE SALE
IN THE
GENERAL AUCTION ESTABLISHMENT,
No. 32, UPPER ORMOND-QUAY.
On TO-MORROW (Thursday), the 29th NOVEMBER.
TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, on the above-named day, in the Lower Sale-room (entrance from Strand-street), a Miscellaneous Collection of Second-class Furniture (for whose sundry consignments), comprising four-post, elliptic, cradle, and stretcher beds; chairs, tables, and presses; an old grand piano-forte; several window cornices; carpets, fenders, and fire-irons; kitchen and chamber furniture; glass, delf, and culinary articles.
Sale to commence at 1 o'clock.
☞ The Public are respectfully informed that a Sale of Excellent Second-hand Furniture, looking glasses, carpets, piano-forte, three violins, a harmonium (suited to a small place of worship), Fire Arms, including a superior London-made duck gun, and numerous other effects, will be held in the Extensive Sale-rooms, 9, UPPER ORMOND-QUAY,
On TUESDAY NEXT, the 4th DECEMBER.
Full particulars will be duly announced.
J. LITTLEDALE & CO., Auctioneers.

MONKSTOWN.
Highly Attractive Sale,
No. 2, BRIGHTON VALE.
Select Sale of Elegant Rosewood, Walnut, and Mahogany Furniture,
Plated Ware, Crystal Gasaliers, Drawing-room Clock, Handsome Electro-plate Tea and Coffee Service, Dinner and Dessert Knives and Forks, &c.; a Grand square 6½ Octave Pianoforte, by Broadwood.
MR. TALBOT COALL having been favoured with instructions,
WILL SELL BY AUCTION,
On To-morrow (THURSDAY), the 29th day of NOV., 1860,
On the premises, No 2, BRIGHTON VALE,
MONKSTOWN,
The entire of the elegant and valuable furniture, only a short time in use, comprising principally,
a suit of walnut furniture, consisting of elegantly carved balloon-backed chairs, devotional, swivs and lounging do.; scroll back couch; trio and fancy tables, stands, two-tier wood loo table; an elegant crystal gasalier, chimney-piece clock and valuable ornaments; pedestal sideboards; 8 domingo mahogany chairs, im tation morocco seats; dinner table, supper tray and stand, plate warmer, German lace curtains and drop fringe drapery, superior kidderminster, victoria and felt carpets, rugs, polished steel fenders and fire irons, handsome Alhert and Utrecht bedsteads, iron stretcher do., superior feather beds, bolsters, pillows, hair and wool mattresses, prime whitney blankets, quilts, mahogany drawers, hulse presses and wardrobes, towel rails, cane seat chairs, large and small toilet glasses, toilet tables and stands, toilet ware, japanned foot baths, water cans and slop pails, metal fenders and fire irons, handsome mahogany hall table, hat rack and umbrella stand, mahogany hall chairs, oil cloths and mats. The appropriate furniture for servants' bedrooms, kitchen tables, oak chairs, fender and fire irons, kitchen dresser, neat pattern dinner service moruing and evening china, glass and delft, oak table, drill set patent dish covers, knife and tea tray, kitchen clock, culinary utensils of a very superior description in variety.
Sale at Twelve o'clock precisely.
TALBOT COALL,
Auctioneer and Valuator, House and Land Agent,
Undertaker, and Coal Merchant, &c.
Bootscraigh Buildings, Kingstown.

KINGSTOWN, MULGRAVE-STREET.—
JOSEPH GLYNN
WILL SELL BY AUCTION,
on the Premises,
56, MULGRAVE-STREET, KINGSTOWN,
On THURSDAY, the 6th day of December next,
The appropriate Furniture and Effects of a Cottage Residence, particulars of which will appear in future impressions and handbills
JOSEPH GLYNN, Licensed Auctioneer and Valuator,
House, Land, and General Commission Agent,
63, Lower George's-street, and
9, York-terrace, Kingstown.

IN BANKRUPTCY.
SALE OF BRIG "MORNING STAR."
In the matter of Wm. Merrick, of Ballina, a Bankrupt.
TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, pursuant to an order made in this matter, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of December next, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, on board the vessel, the brig Morning Star, now lying at the quay of Ballina, with all her Sails, Boat, Rigging, Tackle, and Apparel, as same now is in one lot. This Vessel is but two years built, is in thorough repair, and is fully found in Sails, Rigging, and Stores. She is 173 tons, 92 register; length, 96 feet five-tenths; breadth, 22 feet three-tenths; depth in hold, 11 feet 8 tenths; draught of water when fully laden, 10½ feet. She sails remarkably fast, and can be sent to sea at once. She has just landed a cargo of timber from Quebec, which passage she made in a remarkably short time, and delivered her cargo in first-rate order.
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ROBERT G. BARTER, Esq., Solicitor, 35, Middle Abbey-street, Dublin; or to
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Terrace at Sale.
Ballina, 21st November, 1860.

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The following Table shows the large BONUSES declared up to the 31st December, 1857, on Policies of Fourteen Years' standing for the sum of £1,000 each.

Age when Assured	Sum Assured.	Bonus Added.	Per Cent. per Annum on the Sum Assured.	Per Cent. on the Premium paid.
	£	£		
25	1000	185	1-32	87-6
30	1000	189	1-35	89-3
35	1000	193	1-39	47-9
40	1000	208	1-47	44-4
45	1000	221	1-58	41-0
50	1000	244	1-74	38-2
55	1000	267	1-91	35-2
60	1000	300	2-14	32-8
65	1000	351	2-51	29-6
70	1000	456	3-26	29-0

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N.B.—Gentlemen of influential position and activity will be supported where the Company is not represented. Application to be made to
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ESTABLISHED 1825.
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Incorporated by Special Act of Parliament.
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THOMAS MANLY, Secretary for Ireland.
N.B.—Influential Working Agents Wanted in places where the Company is not yet represented.

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Incorporated by Royal Charter and Act of Parliament.
1860.
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POLICIES OPENED ON OR BEFORE THAT DATE WILL BE ENTITLED AT THE NEXT DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS TO RANK FOR SIX YEARS BONUS.
At last Investigation the Sums declared ranged from 32s to 35s per cent. per annum on the Sums Assured.
The Accumulated Funds amounted at 31st December, 1859, to £1,031,464.
The Annual Revenue to £179,093 11s 11d.
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Whereby a Policy can be opened at once for about Half the Ordinary Rate of Premium.
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designed and made in new and improved styles
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The most fashionable of the day,
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an impression article to meet them,
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in the most cut and most fashionable materials
for Home and School wear.
6s 6d, 12s 6d, 15s 6d, and 20s.

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the Eton, Harrow, and Rugby, in the
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Made to Order from the finest Materials, specially
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in every kind of Material, Style,
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MRS. ALLEN will show This Day a fresh assortment of REAL SEAL MANTLES, PARIS VELVET and other MANTLES, a variety of Evening Jackets, &c. Also a magnificent BRIDAL SUIT of BRUSSELS LACE—108, GRAFTON-STREET, opposite the Provost's.

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M'MAHON AND CO. beg to inform the public and the nobility that their former cellars at Gentry Establishment in Westmoreland-street, that they can now be supplied with the same choice of prime old wines. Their New Concern, No. 4, D'OLIER-STREET, near Carlisle bridge, and that owing to the smallness of their expenses, they are enabled to sell their Wines at 25 per cent. under those charged in more expensive thoroughfares. They are determined to uphold the prestige of their name and character, and Patrons shall not be disappointed in being made comfortable, "at a moderate charge," by calling on M'MAHON AND CO., 4 D'OLIER-STREET.

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Mr. ACHESON begs leave to announce that he has returned from London with a large assortment of new and second-hand DIAMOND ORNAMENTS, which will be sold at moderate prices. They consist of Single-stone Necklaces, Bracelets, Brooches, Earrings, Rings, &c., &c., in great variety.
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THE NEW SEASON'S TEA.
The first import of the New Season's Teas has arrived in London. Having made a selection of the finest qualities, we beg to direct the attention of our present prices, as under.

We Recommend		
Our New season's Black-leaf Congou,	3s	0d per lb.
Do Finest Strong Congou	3s	4d "
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Two pence per lb allowed to cash purchasers of 5lbs parcels of tea and upwards.

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Fine Mocha and Jamaica	1s	8d per lb.
The favourite marks at Jamaica and East India Coffee	1s	10d "
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Do very Superior, recommended	24s	0d	30s 0d
Old Port, Newly Bottled	36s	0d	40s 0d
Old Cased Port			48s 0d
Do. Four Years in Bottle			60s 0d

Madeira, Champagne, and Light Summer Wines at proportionately low prices.

Two Shillings per dozen allowed to cash purchasers of six dozen of Wine.

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Recommend as their very old Whiskey, Sherry Casks, distilled by J. Jameson and Sons, Bushmills, 10 to 12 years Old. 13s 4d
Three do do 14s 0d
Four do do 16s 0d
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Martell's Finest Old Cognac Brandy, Hudnott's Geneva Old Jamaica Rum, &c.

	Quarts.	Pints.
Raw Ale in prime order	4s 10d	2s 6d
Do do	4s 0d	2s 0d
Guinness' XX Porter	10d	2s 0d

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(Near Carlisle Bridge.)

IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS TO ROMAN CATHOLICS.
Roman Catholics, Priests and People, are come to the debate in the Exhibition Concert Hall, on this Wednesday Evening, November 28, at Half past seven o'clock.
Subject:—"Purgatory."
President—Mr. JAS. HOUSTON.

How can any person know whether a soul has entered or left what is called purgatory?
If purgatory be true must not Rome's doctrine of the sacraments be false? For by dying Roman Catholic receives absolution to take away his venial sin, away his mortal sin and the conjunction to take away the remains of sin, and probably, and express direction to take away the temporal punishment due to a penitent unconfessed sin.
What, then, is left for purgatory?
If masses be said only for money, how hard is the lot of the poor! Hear St. Ambrose:—"Barnabas, my dearest brethren; hath not God chosen the poor in this world, rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which God hath promised to them that love Him?"—James ii. 5.
Dr. Cullen's Bible.
How can any roman Catholic have peace in his soul if he believes in the doctrine of purgatory?
Do not our Lord's words to the thief on the cross, "This day thou shalt be with me in Paradise?"—Luke xxiii. 43. Dr. Cullen's Bible.
And did not St. Paul say, in the prospect of death, that he had a desire to be dissolved and to be with Christ, a thing by far the better?"—Philippians i. 23, Dr. Cullen's Bible.
If such set purgatory, why should desire to be dissolved?
Where is the necessity can there be for a purgatory if Christ entered within the veil of many—i.e., emptied or drew them out "to the very bottom, by a plentiful redemption?"—Note in Dr. Cullen's Bible, Hebrews ix. 28.
Roman Catholic friends, the blood of Jesus Christ is the only expiation for sin, and the Holy Spirit the only One who can purify the heart. God pardons the sinner. He pardons him freely. He pardons him for all have sinned, and do need Hear the Roman Catholic Bible:—"For all by his grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Whom God had proposed to be propitiation through faith in his blood, for the demonstration of his justice for the remission of former sins. Through the forbearance of God, for the demonstration of his justice in this time; that he Himself may be just, and the justifier of him who is of the faith of Jesus Christ."—Romans iii. 24-26, Dr. Cullen's Bible.
Roman Catholics are earnestly and affectionately invited to attend.

MONEY MARKET AND COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

[WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR THE IRISH TIMES.]

Dublin, Tuesday Evening.

The slight symptoms of depression which were manifested in the London Stock market yesterday evening gave place to a more favourable feeling to-day. The opening quotations indicated a fractional recovery, which was subsequently improved on, Consols having fully regained the final rates of Saturday at the close of business, much steadiness being observable at the enhanced prices. Our local market was rather flat, and dealings were on a narrow scale, at about former quotations in the case of New 3 per Cents.; Consols, however, declined one-eighth. The Share market continues to be devoid of almost any feature of interest, very few instances of alteration in value are recorded to-day, but in almost each case in which a change occurred, the quotation indicated a slight improvement.

There was more activity in Banking Securities than recently, the only falling off being marked against Bank of Ireland Stock, which fell back one-half per cent., but left off steadily at the depreciation. Last rates were steadily maintained in National Bank Shares, and also in Royals. There was a buyer of Hibernians at an improvement of 15s per share, sellers holding out for a further advance of £2.

In Steam, a drooping tendency is still apparent in Atlantics, which, at a further fall of one-eighth, left off very heavily. A fractional decline is also marked in the New Shares of the City of Dublin Company, as might have been expected from our previous report. The Original Shares were offering for sale.

In Mining Securities the principal amount of animation and buoyancy prevailed. Connorrees were first dealt in at the higher rate of yesterday, and ultimately realised a slightly better price, at which, however, more could have been readily procured. buyers at the first quotation (51s 6d); there is nothing being recorded for account only. Mining Company of Ireland opened at a decline of one-quarter, but finally recovered the preceding quotation, at which there still existed a strong demand for more; dealings for the advanced account were entered into at a further improvement of one-eighth, there being a very active inquiry for shares at the price. For Wicklow Coppers, strongly upheld. Carysforts were offered for sale.

In Miscellaneous—Alliance and Consumers' Gas were without change, and still inquired for. The upward movement, recently noticeable in Grand Canal Stock was resulted to-day, a further improvement of one-half per cent. being established, there being still buyers at the enhanced price.

In the Original Railway Securities, but one instance of alteration is to be remarked, viz.:—in Great Southern Stock, which continued to display symptoms of increasing buoyancy; a further advance of one-eighth per cent. being steadily supported. Previous quotations ruled in the cases of Dublin and Drogheda (£75), and Waterford and Kilkenny Stock; the former appeared to be well sustained. Cork and Bandons were again required, but at a reduction of one-quarter. Last rates were ineffectually tendered for Dublin and Belfast Junctions and Midland Great Western Whole Shares. There were also buyers of Waterford and Limericks.

The sole quotation effected in Preference Securities occurred in Dundalk and Enniskillen 5 per cent. (A), which were a fraction lower. Cork and Bandon 6 per cents. were procurable at one-eighth higher. Waterford Limerick 6 per cents. were again on sale.

PRICES OF IRISH STOCKS.

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
3 per cent. Consols	92½	92½	92½		92½	
Ditto for Account	92⅝	—	92½			
3 per cent. Reduced						
New 3 per cent. Stock	91⅝	91⅝	91⅜	91⅝	91⅝	91⅝
Ditto for Account	91⅝		91⅜	91⅝		91⅝

DUBLIN STOCK AND SHARE LIST—Nov. 27.

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

3 per Cent. Consols			91⅜ ⅝
Ditto for new account, 10th December			91⅝ ¼
BANKS.			
Bank of Ireland			244
National			62½
Royal			27
STEAM			
Atlantic (Limited) account			3½
City of Dublin			⅝
Ditto, Issue of 1860			61s 6d
MINES.			
Connorree (Limited)			74
Wicklow Copper (Limited)			144 ½
Mining Company of Ireland			21
MISCELLANEOUS			
Alliance and Consumers' Gas			94
Grand Canal			94
RAILWAYS.			
Dublin and Drogheda			74½
Great Southern and Western			112½
Midland Great Western			26
Do. Halves			13
Waterford and Kilkenny			41
RAILWAY PREFERENCE.			
Dundalk and Enniskillen			104
Great Southern and Western, 4 per cent. perpetual			90
Portadown, Dungannon, &c. 6 per cent. preference 'till December, 1868, afterwards 5 per cent.			23
Cork and Bandon			41
Ditto, 6 per cent. 4 per cent. perpetual after '63			

On Saturdays business on a no reserve, half-past twelve o'clock, and the stockbrokers' offices are closed at three o'clock.
The next account day for shares will be the 30th November
Notes to be furnished 5h or before the 29 h.

(BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.)

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE—NOVEMBER 27.

	OPENING PRICES.			
Consols Money,				92¼
Account,				92⅝
New Threes,				91¾
NOON PRICES.				
Consols Money,				92¼
Account,				92⅝
New Threes,				91¾
1 P.M. PRICES.				
Consols Money,				92
Account,				92⅜
New Threes,				91¾
2-15 P.M. PRICES.				
Consols Money,				92¼
Account,				92⅜
New Threes,				91¾
CLOSING PRICES.				
Consols Money,				92¼
Account,				92⅜
New Threes,				91¾

Money.—Exchequer Bills 2 dis.; Francis Consols for Account.—Bank of England, 8; Great Northern, 111½; Great Western, 51½; Caledonian, 94; Great Northern, 111½; Great Eastern, 78½; Great Western of Canada, 11½; Great Southern and Western (Ireland), 112½; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 113 114; London and North Western, 100½; Leeds Northern, —; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincoln, 47½; Midland Stock, 123½; South Eastern, 72½; Midland, 82½; London and South Western, 94½; Great Western, 94½; Chester and Holyhead, —; Account, —; Great Northern A, 112 111½; Grand Trunks, 23; North British, 62½; Great Western (New York), —; East Stock, 223; Edinburgh and Glasgow, 81½; Turkish (old), —; Ditto (new), —; Eastern Counties, 11½; Sharos opened firm, and inactive at about Consols steady at 92¼; Exchequer Bills steady; but cool in tone. Midland 3 per cent; all new shares dull and easy. Eastern opened flat at 51 as less on the first meeting of the action against them; they are now rather buyers. Canadas and French steady.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

(TIMES' CITY ARTICLE.)

Monday Evening.

Consols opened with 'continued steadiness this morning, and soon showed a tendency to improvement, but late in the day this was suddenly checked by a telegram from America quoting a very adverse movement in the rate of exchange. The demand for discount at the Bank of England to-day was less than on any day for many weeks past. There were no transactions in gold at the Bank to-day. The 2,000,000 in silver from the Bank of France deliverable to the Bank of England under the late arrangements is now in course of transmission. £175,000 have already arrived,

(DAILY NEWS' CITY ARTICLE.)

Monday Evening.

The Funds opened this morning at Saturday's prices, but fell in the afternoon upon the news of the New York Ex change having fallen to 106¾, and closed at a reduction of one-eighth; to one-fourth, notwithstanding the intelligence of a fresh rise at Paris. The other markets were steady in the morning, and flat in the afternoon. The principal exception was in Midland Railway stock, which shows a fresh rise. American Railway securities have fallen considerably, but are in most instances much higher than at New York. Great ease continues to prevail in the Discount market, and the best bills, up to two months, are taken readily at 5 per cent. At the Bank the applications to-day were consequently very limited.

FUNDS AND SHARES.

Bank Stock, 234 4 dis.; Exchequer Bills, ——; Ambergate, 8½ ⅛; Caledonians, 94¼; Chester and Holyhead, 52¼ 3½ ex 51½ ⅛; Eastern Counties, 51½ 2; Edinburgh and Glasgow, 82½ 3½; Great Northern, 110¾ 11; Great Northern A, do.; Great Western, 72¼; Great Western of Canada, 10 5-16 11 1-16; Grand Trunk of Canada, 15 13-16 15-16; Great Southern, 112 ⅛; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 116½; London and North Western, 100½ to ⅝; London and South Western, 93¾ 4½; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire, 47½ ⅝; Midland, 133¾ ¼; North British, 62½ ⅝; South Eastern, 84 ⅝; York, Newcastle, and Berwick, 102½. Consols closed steady at 92¼, rather sellers. Shares have been steadily improved, and quoted at the above quotations very firm. Great Western, Great Northern, and Eastern Counties exceptionally flat; Canadians steady.

ENGLISH FUNDS.

CITY, TUESDAY EVENING.—The Funds to-day are little firmer, but the improvement does not exceed 1-16 to ⅛ per cent., business being very dull. In the Share markets there is also an absence of interesting features. British Railway Stocks in a few instances are slightly dearer, but Great Northern has given way.

FRENCH FUNDS.

PARIS, TUESDAY, 3-20 P.M.—Fourse has been slightly agitated, and funds declined. Rentes closed flat at 70.25, or 35 centimes lower than yesterday.

STATE OF THE MARKETS.

(WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR THE IRISH TIMES.)

Dublin, Tuesday Evening.

The favourable change in the Money market caused by the recent arrangement between the Banks of England and France, has proved very beneficial, especially in removing the anxiety which had prevailed respecting a further advance in the discount rates. On the other hand, however, somewhat embarrassment has been occasioned, both in financial and commercial circles, by the alterations in the French Cabinet; and the excitement in the United States created by the Presidential election, and the intelligence from China also, are not deemed satisfactory. The advices from the Continent, moreover, have given rise to the impression that new loans are not unlikely to be sought for, and this supposition has also, in some degree, assisted to diminish the effect of the unexpectedly favourable nature of the Bank of England return. The latter influences, however, were hardly felt in the Discount market, where, from improved confidence, the demand has been decreasing, and the rates in consequence receding, six months' bills having been negociated in London, at the close of the past week, a fraction below the Bank minimum, and short-dated paper, which was offering in a limited amount, only having been taken at terms not exceeding 5¼ per cent. Yesterday, the applications for accommodation further slackened, the demand at the Bank of England having been less than on any day for many weeks past; and, considering that the rates in the open market have become lower, and do not now exceed 5 per cent., and that in some cases paper has been negociated under that figure, an expectation has arisen that the Bank of England will, on Thursday next, lower the minimum by ½ if not by 1 per cent., unless difficulty should arise through the fall in the rate of exchange at New York. The inquiry for silver is restricted, and the quotation in London is 61¼d.

Respecting the manufacturing markets, the demand for linens in the North of Ireland is still under that of last year, but some improvement has taken place in the home trade, and the foreign continues steady. Manchester there was hardly any inquiry for yarns and goods at the close of the week, but, notwithstanding, prices were regarded as steadier, and prospects, in consequence, were considered, were improving. The telegram, to-day, represents a steady business going on in yarns at last week's rates, but that cloth is dull of sale, and manufacturers complaining of their position. There are some discouraging reports afloat regarding difficulties in the Greek trade, both in the latter city and in London, and irregularities are feared. At Bradford and Halifax there is a steady trade in seasonable fabrics, but the markets of Birmingham and Huddersfield are quiet, and at Leeds and Nottingham, also, there is not much activity, but the feeling is not unfavourable in those latter places. In the steel and iron houses of Sheffield there is a considerable business transacting, and the iron trade of Newcastle-on-Tyne is improving; at Wolverhampton there is also a better demand in the iron business for India, but the home market is dull.

Wool—The Colonial sales in London have progressed somewhat steadily, and have been well attended by buyers, but towards the close of last week there was less activity. Fine parcels realised the opening advance in the quotations, but Cape wools gave way ½d to 1d per lb. The annexed rates have been paid, viz:—

Sydney—Clean sheep, 1s 9½d to 2s 2d; scoured, 1s 2d to 2s 5d; handwashed, 1s 8½d to 1s 10d; lambs, 10d to 2s 5d; handwashed, 1s 8½d to 1s 10d; lambs, 1s 2s 0½d; skins, 1s 11d to 2s 1d.

Cape—Clean sheep, 1s 9d to 1s 10½d; scoured, 1s 3½d to 1s 9½d; handwashed, 1s 9½d to 1s 5d; lambs, 1s 6d to 1s 11d; locks, 1s 4½d to 1s 7d.

Van Diemen's Land—Clean sheep, 1s 8d to 2s 0½d; lambs, 1s 9d to 1s 11d.

Port Phillip—Clean sheep, 1s 6½d to 2s 4½d; superfine, 2s 10½d to 3s 0½d; scoured, 2s 1d to 2s 4; grease, 11½d to 1s 3d.

New Zealand—Clean sheep, 1s 3½d to 1s 11d; lamb, 1s 5d to 1s 10d; locks, 1s to 1s 3½d; grease, 9½d to 1s 4d.

Adelaide—Clean sheep, 1s 11d to 1s 11½d; scoured, 2s 4½d; grease, 9½d to 1s 3d.

Cape—Clean sheep, 1s 2d to 2s; handwashed, 1s 3½d to 1s 6d; grease, 10½d.

Swan River—Clean sheep, 1s 9d to 2s; lamb, 2s; other kinds, 10½d to 1s 3d per lb.

The demand by private contract is very inactive. Last week's imports were—1,206 bales from Sydney, 334 from Port Phillip, 21 from Mossel Bay, 1,581 from Algoa Bay.

Cotton—The limited demand which prevailed in Liverpool in the early part of last week, continued until Thursday, when spinners bought more freely, and, although prices were no higher, they closed with more tone. The decline in rates was from ¼d to ⅜d per lb. The market to-day was very firm.

Flax—The sales at the markets in the North of Ireland during the past week have been on a large scale, and rates have been fully maintained. Prices—Handscutched, 7s 3d to 9s, and milled, 7s 9d to 12s per stone.

Hemp—No change in London last week, but only small sales were practicable at enhanced rates. In Liverpool there were no sales of Manilla to report; 2,000 bales offered by auction were all withdrawn in the absence of any disposition to operate, and the market closed very dull; Bombay was scarce and wanted; a few bales of Sunn sold at £24 2s 6d per ton.

Jute—No alteration in London; 2,000 bales were offered in Liverpool, and sold with fair spirit at £15 10s to £16 10s per ton.

Leather and Hides—East India hides declined ½d per lb last week in London. The supplies of raw hides at Smithfield Market, on Friday last, were fully up to an average, but the demand was very dull.

Metals—Business in London has been dull, and in the Glasgow pig iron market has been inanimate. The quotations in the former market on yesterday were, Scotch pig iron, 52s 3d to 52s 6d, and 100 tons of spelter were sold at £20 10s, spring shipment.

Produce—Trade in Dublin during the past week continued inactive; the state of the London, Liverpool, and other markets producing a depressing effect. There was also a limited animation in the demand for either sugar or coffee, but the inquiry for coffee was likewise limited. Our review of the reports of the London and Liverpool markets for the same period, it will be observed that the feeling of uncertainty in reference to the Money market increased the disinclination to purchase which usually prevails at this advanced period of the year. In London, prices in several instances manifested a drooping tendency, but any appreciable decline was prevented by the small supplies on offer. Transactions in sugar were to a limited extent. A sale of Penang went at 6d per cwt. under late rates, but no general decline can be quoted. The Netherlands Trading Company's sales in Holland went at an advance of 1 guilder upon the previous quotations. Plantation Ceylon realised slightly higher terms, but other descriptions met a slow sale at barely late rates. The accounts from Brazil exercised little or no effect. The tea market remained dull throughout, and was unaffected by the China news. The demand for rice disappeared, but sales were not pressed. Quotations remained as they were. No transactions were accepted for pepper and pimento, beyond which no change took place in spices. Dried fruit sold well, although the demand was less active than in the previous week. The common qualities of saltpetre were again lower, and but little was passing in any description. Seed oils were in limited demand, and rather cheaper, owing to increased arrivals. Tallow declined slightly.

In Liverpool, business in cugar was limited to a few parcels at prices which showed no material alteration, but to have effected sales of any moment, some concessions would have had to be submitted to. 100 hogsheads of Barbadoes realised 39s 6d to 44s, and 1,000 bags of Siam were taken for export at 43s to 44s 6d. In coffee, there was hardly anything doing; in rice the new crop was dull of sale, a little business was done in Bengal on the spot, and 200 bags Siam at 23s ex quay. As to coffee a quantity of plantation Ceylon sold with good competition on this day week. For cocoa there was more inquiry, but the quantity on offer was small. In rice, the transactions were limited, the market having subsided. In spices, there was a speculative feeling having subsided. In spices, there was nothing to notice. Respecting oils, palm was rather easier, and in olive a good business was done, with prices tending rather upwards. Seed oils continued without change; linseed realised 30s 3d to 30s 6d, in cake casks, and rape was steady at the quotations without much doing. For tallow, there were fewer sellers, and the tone of the market was scarcely so strong as that of the previous week.

On Saturday hardly any change occurred in the London market, the supplies on offer were light, and prices remained tolerably steady. To-day sugar and coffee were dull, and parcels of tea were somewhat firmer from the China news; but this was its only effect on the market, no shipments were estimated to be on the Thames, about 1,000,000lbs less than last year. Rice continued quiet, but there was little inquiry for saltpetre. To-day there is the report of the London market on yesterday.

—A floating cargo of No. 11 to 11¾ Havana near port at 29s.

—A cargo of good firsts Rio changed hands at 28s.

On the spot scarcely anything doing, but a cargo of Necranzie sold at 12s for the Continent. Very dull, and market not affected by the telegrams.

Oil—quoted 29s 6d to 29s 9d.

—Market quiet, 60s 6d paid on the spot, 60s for December, and 61s for January to April to June, 58s last three months.

Spirits—Nothing doing on the spot; sheep, 61s; sells at 59s 6d on the spot; sheep, 61s; American, 59s; town tallow, 59s 3d nett cash.

PARTICULARS.

	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.	1860.
	Casks.	Casks.	Casks.	Casks.	Casks.
Stock this day	15,931	38,582	25,107	50,417	69,699
Price of Y.C.	59s 0d	50s 3d	53s 3d	56s 9d	60s 6d
Last week	2,065	2,909	2,215	2,388	1,271
Last week	66,910	41,919	55,400	49,043	48,407
Do. from 1st Jan	2,919	2,859	4,054	3,191	3,325
Do. from 1st Jan	65,861	80,38 9	58,34	78,382	90,922
Price of Down	60s 3d	51s 3d	54s 3d	62s 6d	61s 9d

Arrivals—Trade in London was very dull last week, on butters declined 4s per cwt.

In the London market, on yesterday, prime beasts, fat and sheep sold readily, at very full prices, of the last stock being moderate. With the exception, however, of the demand for prime meat, the sluggish, but previous prices were maintained a fair inquiry for pigs, which were in good previous quotations. The number of cattle some day was very large; of sheep about 15,000. For prime stock the demand was good, but, middling were difficult to sell. The number of grain-laden vessels which Ports of call during the week ended on was considerable. More than half of them wheat, a fourth part Indian corn, and the barley, &c. These arrivals, coupled with the in the rate of discount, exercised a depressing trade, and buyers restricted their purchases of immediate wants. Under these circumstances compelled to make material concessions, and prices declined; the improvement of the early part of the week prices were improving. The supply of home grain market in England has been much below the ate, the sales of British wheat, for instance, ended the 17th instant, having been 80,518 ly, according to the Gazette return, while in onding period of last year, the quantity sold 0 127,165 quarters, or beyond a third more. ubts, is, in some measure, ascribable to the of the new corn, a large portion of which is ent fit for use, nor is it likely to be until the present unfavourable weather, the supplies at Mark-lane, on yesterday being reported in wretched condition, and the demand for at was heavy in the extreme. Selected samples currencies realised on the previous other kinds were much lower.

foreign wheat was also dull, and that article ad for 1s to 2s less money, the supply being and numerous floating cargoes being on offer, which was heavy at a decline of from 6d English and foreign was also 1s per quarr. oats moved off slowly at rates 6d per qr lower our per wey from 1s to 2s per 280lbs. These counts, with those previously received, kept Dublin very dull, and at our Corn Exchange y little was passing, and wheat was hardly pt at a reduction of, say, 1s per barrel; and ay be said of most other articles, which were decline. For Indian corn there was more 38s to 39s for yellow, and 45s to 45s 6d for

ool, to-day, fine qualities of wheat were held rates, but inferior parcels declined; oatmeal easier, and Indian corn was 6d per quarter Newcastle and Hull trade seems to have

seeds—The demand for linseed has been and a further rise of 1s was established last ndon, but for rapeseed the inquiry has without, however, any change in prices having As to cakes, in which kinds of American linseed and cotton seed in first hands, having become ated, extreme rates are demanded in Liverpool, per

following are the floating cargoes which arrived from the 17th to the 23rd instant, both ports of call, viz.:—33 of wheat; 17 of Indian corn; 4 of beans; 1 of rye; 1 of linseed; and 4 of barley

rapeseed.

DUBLIN CORN EXCHANGE—TUESDAY.

There was a small supply of all descriptions of grain at market to-day, and samples being generally out of condition in consequence of the very wet weather, and buyers only looked to satisfy immediate wants. We do not alter our quotations from Friday last, but a number of samples of every-thing remained unsold.

	s. D.		s. D.
White wheat	29 6 to 31 6	Oatmeal	15 0 to 17s
Red do.	25 0 to 30 0	Rapeseed	30 0 to 33s
Do. fresh	12 0 to 15 0	Bakers' flour	19 6 to 23s
Oats	14 0 to 16 0	Indian corn	37 0 to 39s
Bere	16 0 to 20 6	per 480lbs	
Barley			

WOOL SALES.—Compared with yesterday, no further change can be noticed in the position of these sales; for Australian the biddings continue active, but Cape parcels are thrown off with much heaviness; the attendance of buyers has been tolerably extensive.

LIVERPOOL, NOVEMBER 27.—Moderate attendance of buyers to-day. Fair consumptive inquiry for wheat. Fine qualities held for former rates. Inferior parcels sold slightly at irregular prices; in some instances 2d per cental decline. Flour in moderate demand. Sacks unchanged in value. Barrels neglected and lower. Oats steady. Oatmeal rather easier. Indian corn in good demand at a decline of about 6d per qr.

CORN MARKET, NOV. 27.—Farmer's wheat brings rather more money than on Saturday, but in secondary and forty-quarter sorts, and prices same as on Saturday. Foreign—low sale, and held for full prices. Barley—low sale, but held for full prices. Oats—little doing; Beans and peas—fully as dear.

NEWCASTLE MARKET, NOV. 27.—Wheat dull, and little doing; other sorts 2s lower. Barley rather cheaper.

MANCHESTER TRADE REPORT.—Steady business going on in yarns at last week's rates, but cloth is dull of sale, and manufacturers begin to complain of their position.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET, NOV. 27.—Sugar market inanimate. 2,000 bags Bengal sold at 39s; 200 bags Siam at 41s 6d; and more disposed to buy, but few sellers at reduced rates. Linseed fully 6d lower. Linseed cakes, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; Indian cakes, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; Rapeseed rather easier.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET, NOV. 27.—Cotton market firm. Sales to-day, about 8,000 to 10,000 bales. Imports, 3,400; previously, 1,859.

GLASGOW MARKET.—No 1, 51s 3d to 51s 6d; mixed numbers, 52s to 52s 3d; No 3, 50s 6d to 51s. Market quiet. Shipped this week 11,351 tons; corresponding week last year 13,228 tons.

CORK CORN MARKET, NOV. 27.—White wheat, 27s 9d to 28s 0d; seed ditto, 25s; red wheat, 22s to 26s 0d; barley 15s 0d to 21s; oats, 15s 6d to 16s 2d.

CORK BUTTER MARKET, NOV. 27.—First, 116s; seconds, 111s; thirds 106; fourths, 97s; fifths, 87s; sixths, 68s.

REVIEW OF THE BRITISH CORN TRADE DURING THE PAST WEEK.

The rain of the past week has been a great drawback to field-work, notwithstanding the fine days that have followed. The heavy lands are generally backward, and the seed time, which in Sussex is usually completed by the end of October, is still unfinished. Settlements have again been chiefly confined to the Ping Suey class, of which the stock was exhausted at the early part of the month, but recently we have received further supplies. Settlements for the month are 7,418 packages, and for the season, 23,425 packages, against 129,866 packages, and leaving in the stock 4,700 packages against 111,000 last season. Of Japan tea the settlements for the month are 1,964 packages, making for the season 5,161, and leaving a stock of 7,000 packages. We cannot give any quotations. The total export to Great Britain to date is 2,704,715 lbs. against 8,407,514 lbs. last season.

Silk.—In this article there has been considerable activity during the fortnight, resulting in the settlement of fully 6,000 bales. The arrivals from the country have been considerable, and it does not appear that the transit is at present interfered with by the rebels. From Ningpo and Japan the arrivals are also large, but it is expected that from the first-named port supplies will hereafter be more moderate. From Japan we hear that this season's export is likely to be very considerable one. The total settlements to date are estimated at 32,000 bales, leaving a stock of 6,000 to 7,000 bales. The total export for the season 1860-61, amounts to 26,17, against 18,961 bales last year.

Exchange and Bullion—In spite of the reported heavy settlements of silk for the last fortnight, bills have been by no means plentiful, and rates have ruled more in favour of sellers than for the previous mail. The tone of the market to-day is somewhat firmer. Closing quotations are as follows:—On London: Bank rate, 6 months' sight, 6s 3d; 4 months' sight, 6s 2d; 3 months' sight, 6s 1d. On Paris: 3 months' sight, 5f 22c; credits, 6s 6d; 10 days' sight, 5f 24c; bills with documents, 6s 6d per 5f 22c. On Bombay: Bank bills accepted and 10 days' sight, 3s 2d per 100 taels. On Hong Kong: Bank bills, 5 days' sight, 3s 2d per cent. discount.

Freights—To London, £3 to £3 10s for teas; £5 to £6 for silk. To New York, tea, 12 dols; silk, 20 dols.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, MONDAY AFTERNOON, NOV. 26.—Last week's supplies were abundant in all grain, chiefly so in foreign wheat and flour. The supplies of grain on offer this week are more than half from Russia.

There was a fair supply this morning from the near counties, which, added to last week's arrivals still unsold, made a large show of home produce; the condition, as of late, being mostly inferior. The demand for wheat was very heavy arrival of foreign, prices fell quite a suspension of business in English wheat, which were offered on terms considerably lower, say 2s to 6s per qr without attracting millers. Fine old foreign samples were in steady demand and rather lower; new fully 2s to 3s per qr with very little doing.

Of country grain there arrived 16,190 sacks, of foreign 9,531 sacks, and 10,176 barrels. Norfolks were down fully 1s per sack, and all descriptions of foreign were equally reduced, the business being limited to fine qualities.

The supply of British wheat for the week is 8,890 qrs, of foreign 17,544 qrs. Making sorts were 1s per qr lower than for distillation, and grinding, more especially soft new English, were 1s to 2s cheaper.

The wheat trade was slow, and prices scarcely maintained.

The supply of oats was 37,981 qrs—viz, 5,864 qrs English, 812 qrs Scotch, 5,910 qrs Irish, and 26,890 qrs foreign. The new English and Scotch were very little altered in value, but very dull; old corn was very little altered in value, but a slow sale. New, again, was 6d to 1s per qr lower, with but a slow sale. Of English beans there were 617 qrs, of foreign 8,182 qrs. that were kiln-dried sold better, at about 2s per qr less reduction. In old sorts and foreign there was but little doing.

Of native peas the supply was 735 qrs; of foreign 2,782 qrs, white boilers and hog-feed, were 1s to 2s per qr lower, but fine dry and old boilers were unaltered.

The linseed supply was 11,749 qrs, with nothing exported. The trade remained firm for crushing seed and cake, both English and foreign.

In the seed market little was passing. Cloverseed, both red and white, held at former quotations. Canary dull, as well as all other seeds, at former rates.

CURRENT PRICES OF BRITISH GRAIN AND FLOUR IN MARK-LANE.—Wheat, Essex and Kent white, 42s to 45s per qr; red, 47s to 48s; fine Suffolk, Essex and Kent white, 43s to 45s per qr; red, 47s to 48s; fine Norfolk, and Suffolk, 44s to 45s per qr; red, 47s to 48s. Malt, Essex and Kent, 70s to 72s per qr; grinding, 30s to 34s do; distilling, 34s to 36s do. Malt, Essex and Suffolk, 34s to 45s per qr; fine, 47s to 48s do; Kingston, Ware, and country towns made, 52s to 56s do; fine, 58s to 60s do; Scotch, fine, 52s to 57s do; fine, —— do. Oats, English, feed, 23s to 25s per qr; potato, 28s to 30s do. Oats, Irish, feed, 23s to 25s do; potato, 25s to 28s do; fine, —— to 32s do. Beans, Mazagan, 42s to 47s per

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ATE CORRESPONDENCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

London, Monday.

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LATEST NEWS.

BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

TIMES OFFICE
Four o'clock, a.m.

CHINA.

A correspondent of the *London Gazette* contains the despatches from Lieutenant-General Sir Hope Grant, commanding the forces in China, and Col. Saint George Foley, British Military Commissioner at the head-quarters of the French army in China, dated 20th and 22nd September, describing operations up to the latter date.

Sir Hope Grant, in writing on 20th September, from Chang-tsin-wah, states that on 13th he halted at Hoo-sei-woo, forty miles from Tein-tsin. Messrs. Parkes and Wade, who returned on 15th, having made arrangements with the Chinese Commissioners by which it was agreed that the allied forces should halt at Chang-tsin-wah, 5 miles short of Tang-chow, at which place the ambassador should advance with an escort to sign the convention. To prevent a collision it was settled that the Chinese army should fall back. On arriving on the 18th, however, the proposed camping ground was found occupied by a large Chinese army, and flanked by well armed cavalry. Mr. Parkes started back to Tang-chow. Colonel Walker and Deputy-Assistant Commissary-General Thompson remained on the ground with four men of the Kings Dragoon Guards and one sowar, to await Mr. Parkes' return. M. De Norman and Mr. Bowlby had accompanied Mr. Parkes to Tang-chow, and remained there with Lieutenant Anderson. Mr. Loch and Captain Brabazon started under a flag of truce, with orders for Mr. Parkes and the whole party to return to head quarters, meanwhile the Chinese cavalry advanced in great numbers, and their infantry poured down on our right front. Sir H. Grant was extremely anxious not to engage, for fear of compromising our officers, who were in their lines. Suddenly a commotion appeared in the enemy's line, they opened fire in their centre, and Colonel Walker's party rushed out of the midst of their ranks.

Colonel Walker reported that whilst waiting for Mr. Parkes a French officer joined him, who was suddenly cut down, and on his riding up to prevent his being murdered, his own sword was snatched, and some men tried to throw him. On seeing that it was a deliberate attempt to assassinate the whole of them, Colonel Walker galloped out with his party under the fire of the Chinese line. Mr. Thompson receiving a spear thrust in his back; it was useless to wait longer, and the attack immediately commenced. General De Montauban advanced to turn the left, the attack commenced simultaneously on all points, and it was now apparent that the Chinese prepared a very treacherous reception for our forces—an entrenchment skilfully concealed extended on our right and left for several miles, and with numerous guns, the enclosure extent of the country covered by the enemy was showed. More than 20,000 men, did not permit Sir Hope to use his force with such good effect as he might have done. The attack of the allies was successful. The loss of the enemy was estimated at 600 killed, whilst seventy-five guns fell into the hands of the Allies. Sir Hope Grant writing on the 22nd of September, from headquarters, near Tang-Chow, describes the successful advance of the Allies in greater strength on the 21st. The Armstrong guns served admirably well. Several Chinese camps were burnt, and the Chinese army retired upon Pekin. Forty-three guns were taken in this action, and the loss of the Chinese was very severe; our loss was 2 killed and 9 wounded, chiefly slightly. Our loss on the 18th was 7 wounded, two since dead and one missing. The Prince of Tang-Chow denied all knowledge of Mr. Wade's party, but a Chinaman, afterwards brought in, stated that he had heard upwards of twenty foreigners were sent after the fight to Pekin. This, if true, would give every reason for their safety. Colonel St. George Foley, reports the complete success of both actions by the Allies. The French loss was comparatively small, they captured forty guns. He says there is every reason to believe that Mr. Parkes and party had been sent by San-ko-lin-sin, prisoners to Pekin.

VICTOR EMMANUEL—FRANCIS II.

NAPLES, 27th Nov.—The deputation has presented the address from the Sardinian Parliament to the King. His Majesty received with satisfaction the expression of the national sentiment. The rumour that Francis II. has fled from Gaeta is widely circulated here.

ROME.

ROME, NOV. 24.—Sardinian custom-houses will be established round Rome on the 1st of December. Although the duties will be light, a general rise has taken place in the price of merchandise.

Two French regiments are preparing to depart, but it is said that others will come to replace them.

FRANCE.

PARIS, TUESDAY.—The Emperor will stay at Compeigne for a week.

TERMINATION OF THE SHEDDON CASE. The Judge Ordinary this day pronounced judgment. He held that the letter of November 12th, 1858, was a genuine document. He concluded by stating that the petitions of Mr. and Miss Sheddon must be dismissed. The other learned judges concurred. Petitions dismissed accordingly.

GAZETTE NEWS.

THE ARMY.—Major-General Thomas Horton to be Colonel 6th Dragoons; Major-General Alexander Macleay to be Colonel 13th Light Dragoons; Major-General Beckwith to be Colonel 14th Light Dragoons.

DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS.—The appointment of Lord Bloomfield to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Emperor of Austria is gazetted. Lord Loftus is transferred from Vienna, and appointed Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of Prussia.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Count de Flahault, the new Ambassador of France at the English Court, is allied to some of the first families in England, and was long a resident in this country. He is married to the Baroness Keith and Nairne.

The Archbishop of Sardinia and his Clergy having waited on Victor Emmanuel with an address, the King said in reply, he trusted the Roman question would be arranged so as to safely guard the real interests of religion.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg, dated 16th instant, says that a continued thaw for several days has caused the ice to disappear from the river and the gulf.

A Lyons journal explains that the object of the proposed measure relative to the reserve of the army is to allow of a considerable reduction of the army in time of peace, while it can be largely increased in case of war.

The *Nord* points out that the withdrawal of Francis II. to Rome will transform the eternal city into a grand centre of reactionary and clerical papagaism under the apparent shelter of the French flag.

NEW MUSIC.—Messrs. Wischeart and Son, of Suffolk-street and Lower Sackville-street, have published an exceedingly pretty set of new waltzes, entitled "The Villa Waltzes." The waltzes are five in number, all of which are equally lively and pretty.

DUBLIN LITERARY UNION.—The usual weekly meeting of this society will be held in the schoolroom, 6, Whitefriar-street, on this (Wednesday) evening, when a paper will be read, entitled—" Thoughts on Natural History." The public are respectfully invited. Chair to be taken at a quarter past 8 o'clock.

ELECTION OF ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS FOR DROGHEDA.—At the above election to-day (Monday, Nov. 26th), all the outgoing members who would remain were re-elected. There were two vacancies, in consequence of Messrs. Tiernan and Kirby displaying their want of sense and taste in becoming disconnected with that highly creditable body; and, in consequence, several worthy candidates for the high honour of a seat in the Drogheda Town Council presented themselves. There were no less than six aspirants for the distinction of "T. C." the annexation of which to one's name has lately—in fact ever since the unfortunate Reform Bill of corporations—been synonymous with "gentleman," in every sense of the term. The fortunate applicants for admission into this *sanctum sanctorum* were Messrs. Knaggs, Plumber, and Lynagh, grocer. Many of your numerous readers, in Drogheda or elsewhere, will sympathise with the severe loss sustained by the unfortunate, I may as well give their names—George Harper, Esq., J.P., John Gradwell, Esq., J.P., Patt Monaghan, and James Thornton, grocers. In justice to Messrs. Harper and Gradwell, I should give them the benefit of a rumour I have heard, which is to the effect, that these gentlemen were in total ignorance of the honours their zealous friends wished to confer upon them, until the day was considerably advanced, when, I understand, they signified their intention of declining to enter the lists against their noble adversaries.—*From a Correspondent.*

COUNTY TIPPERARY—MURDEROUS ASSAULT.—PARSONSTOWN, NOV. 27.—While a farmer, named Michael Cleary, resident within a short distance of the "Pike" Police Barrack (situated about midway between Parsonstown and Portumna), was sitting in his own house at nine, or half-past nine o'clock last night, a young man named John Hogan, a member of a family living in the same neighbourhood, suddenly entered the house, and, rushing on its owner, inflicted with a large knife, a severe wound on Burke, stabbing him through the neck —the blade passing within little more than its own breadth of the carotid artery. Constable Burke of the adjoining police station immediately sent for the medical officer of the dispensary district, Dr. Baker, of Parsonstown, who remained in attendance on the sufferer until two o'clock this morning. It is scarcely necessary to add that the man lies in a most precarious condition. His assailant, Hogan, is in custody. The outrage partakes not in the slightest degree of an agrarian character, it being already ascertained that it resulted from a feeling entertained against Burke by the Hogan family, arising solely from causes of a peculiar and domestic nature.—*From our own Correspondent.*

DESPERATE AND DARING OUTRAGE.—A man named Flyne, has been, since Saturday last, an inmate of the county infirmary, under the care of Dr. Ridley, its medical superintendent. He is suffering from the effects of severe wounds on the head, inflicted in the street (Barrack-street) of Tullamore, on the evening of that day, by three or four men, with whom, it appears, he previously had some altercation. The man's recovery, we are informed, is more than uncertain, and his principal assailant, who was promptly and vigilantly looked after by the Tullamore police, was arrested soon after the occurrence, and brought before Joseph, Rogers, Esq., R.M., by whom he has been committed to the county gaol.—*From a Correspondent.*

COUNTY LOUTH—CORONER'S INQUEST.—Mr. Neary, one of the coroners for the above county, held an inquest at Miss Rose Dunne's, spirit-dealer, of West-street, Drogheda, on the body of Alice Reilly, aged about 17 years, on the evening of Saturday last. There were two witnesses examined, Anne Reilly, a sister of the deceased, and Doctor Fulham. It appeared on Friday evening deceased was quite well, and had been out walking. His ring partaken of her supper, she went to bed with her sisters, was seized with a cough, from which she had suffered for about a year, towards one o'clock, on Saturday morning, upon which her sister Anne rose up to render assistance, and called for a light. Deceased, in the meantime, threw up a quantity of blood, and expired in her sister's arms, before the other inmates of the house could obtain medical relief. Doctor Fulham stated death appeared to have ensued from the rupture of a blood-vessel in one of the lungs. Verdict accordingly.—*From our own Correspondent.*

THE LOSS OF THE ARCTIC.—RESULT OF THE INQUIRY. —At the Hull Police-court on Monday, the stipendiary magistrate, M. T. H. Travis, announced that he had received a letter from the Board of Trade in answer to the report which he had forwarded in respect to the loss of the steamship, Arctic, and he read the following extract:—" Sir,—My lords have instructed me to acquaint the solicitor that they approve of the course he adopted in applying to you for costs. As regards the master of the Arctic, I am to inform you that my Lords have suspended his certificate of competency for six months, and as regards the meritorious services rendered to the survivors, my Lords direct me to inform you that they have already given £50 as a gratuity to the widow of Mr. Earle, who lost his life in his attempt to save the shipwrecked passengers and crew, and they have also given gratuities to the men who manned the Danish lifeboat; they are also about to suggest to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs that medals should also be given by her Majesty's Government to these latter.—I am, sir, your obedient servant, T. H. FARRER." Mr. Travis said in his report he very strongly appealed on behalf of the widow of Mr. Earle.

LEAKY VESSELS.—LIVERPOOL, SATURDAY.—A novel and ingenious application of the screw principle has recently been tried on the Mersey. It consists of a very cheap and simple apparatus (which can be stowed away in a box) for pumping leaky vessels, and which may, probably, in a three-knot stream assist in loading or unloading cargo. The invention has deservedly met with considerable commendation from the Government emigration officer, Lieutenant Prior, R.N., by the surveyors of Lloyd's, and of many other practical men who have seen it in operation. The inventor is Mr. Robert Formby, son of the oldest and most eminent physician in this town. The apparatus, which has been made for a vessel of five hundred tons, consists of a two-bladed screw of a semi-disc form; it is attached to a jointed rod, which gives motion to the axle of a small toothed bevel wheel, fixed on the vessel's deck right astern, and completely out of the way of all traffic. This, again, works another wheel on the end of a shaft extending longitudinally along the bulwarks, and connecting with the lower limb of a bell crank working about six feet from the deck, the upper limb of which is connected by a rod with an upright arm springing from the centre of a horizontal lever beam, to the end of which the pump rods are jointed. When the vessel is going three or four knots an hour the action of the pumps, the stroke of which can be increased or diminished in a minute, is rapid, and causes a discharge of water nearly equal to the quantity a body of men could pump. At six or seven knots speed the quantity is considerably increased and nearly fills the nozzles. Considering that the screw never tires, this result exhibits a great advantage over manual labour. By a very simple arrangement the pumps are prevented from choking, as ships' pumps generally do. The apparatus can, by a very simple movement, be thrown out of gear. The method of stopping the rotatory motion of the screw previously to hauling it in is very simple. An "extinguisher," formed of sheet iron of a lamp-shade shape, is placed on the rod connected with the screw, and rapidly descends, occasioning an immediate stoppage. It can then be hauled in without difficulty. When we consider that in the month of October 39 vessels foundered through springing leaks, and that the severe labour of pumping tends greatly to occasion sickness among seamen, and consequent incapacity for other necessary work, the advantages of this invention must surely be patent to the mercantile world.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT ON THE SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY.—On Friday night a fearful accident occurred on this line a few hundred yards from the Landport station. The particulars are as follows:—A down train left Brighton for Portsmouth at 8-40 p.m., and was due at Portsmouth at 10-35. This train passed the Union-bridge at about half-past ten o'clock, and on issuing from the archway a sudden jerk was felt, and it was believed that something had been placed across the rails. On arriving at the station parties were sent back to discover the cause of the obstruction, and on coming within a few yards of the bridge, a horrible spectacle presented itself. The body of a man was found almost cut in two, the remains being about the middle of the body. The lower part of the body was nearly severed from the main part, and the heart was discovered in a dyke by the side of the line of rails. The body was removed to the Union workhouse for identification and for the purpose of an inquest. The deceased was habited in the ordinary dress of a working man.

THE RAILWAY CATASTROPHE AT ATHERSTONE.—We understand that the London and North-Western Railway Company do not intend to resist or contest the claims made against them for compensation to the relatives and friends of the cattle-drovers killed on the Trent Valley line by the catastrophe which happened near this place. The pecuniary loss to the company, by damage done to rolling stock, expenses connected with the late inquiry, the destruction of cattle, and 10 lives is estimated at £20,000.

HOT WEATHER.—The *Manchester Guardian*, in a letter dated Sarawak, in Sarawak (asp.), on the 4th of July, says:—"A lamentable occurrence took place on board a keel lying at the Salthouse-lane-staith, Hull. It appears that about half-past two o'clock a youth, named Henry Watson, 12 years of age, was playing in the cabin of the keel along with another boy, named Legard. The boy Legard, it appeared, had got possession of a gun, and during the time they were playing it is supposed the gun was discharged accidentally at Watson. At all events a short time afterwards Watson was found lying on the cabin floor weltering in blood, and the gun alongside of him. At this time the boy Legard was missing. There was a profuse flow of blood; and the surgeon who was called in gave it as his opinion that death must have been instantaneous, although the charge in the gun could only have been a small one, for he had great difficulty in finding the aperture in the head where the shot had entered. It appears that on Friday night the father of the boy Legard, who is the master of the keel, had a quarrel with his wife, and, in order to frighten her, he loaded his gun and threatened to shoot her. Nothing serious, however, occurred between them, and the gun was restored to its former position, although the father unfortunately omitted to take the shot out again. When the boys were playing on Saturday, Legard got his father's gun, and, it is presumed, not knowing that it was loaded, discharged it at his companion, and the result was as we have stated.

ELOPEMENT IN HIGH LIFE.—A romantic story, of which the following is an outline, is current in the East Riding of Yorkshire:—During the last week apartments were ordered at a lodging-house in Scarborough the fashionable watering-place—for a lady and gentleman and a female servant, who were to arrive by rail the day following that on which the landlady received her instructions. Preparations were duly made, and the party arrived by the express train from York. The housekeeper thought there was some little mystery hanging over the couple and their attendant, the husband so much resembling a servant, while the appearance of the wife at once carried the idea to the old woman's mind that she was a lady of position. Still she could not get the attendant to tell her "a word in secret" until the evening of their departure, and as we have been fortunate enough to become possessed of the whole "love story," we give it to our readers and can vouch for the exact information that was furnished by the lady's servant, and finally endorsed by the "happy couple" themselves. The lady, of whom we may be allowed to say "she was one of England's beauties," was the second daughter of a very wealthy country gentleman, keeping a large establishment in the East Riding, and her lover and beloved was none other than the valet in his employ. The age of the former was apparently 20, and the latter about 25. During the gentleman's faithful service of nearly five years he had succeeded in gaining the affections of the young lady, and the temporary absence of her parents had often afforded two lovers an opportunity of "wandering by moonlight alone," and speaking of coming events. The young lady, who by the way has a nice property in her own right, taking the advantage of leap year, at last "popped the question," and we need scarcely say the young man was overwhelmed with joy at her condescension, for he feared to take such a bold step. Plans were then devised for their marriage, and as it was well known that her parents would not listen to such a proposition, they had to arrange for the ceremony to be performed at a remote place. Her father had occasion to go to London on business, and this gave an excellent opportunity for the two effecting their purpose. The young lady told her papa, as it would be lonely for her to remain at home while he was in town, she wished to visit an aunt. Her request was complied with. Instead, however, of going to visit her aunt, who lived in a town 18 miles distant, she went to a remote little village, where she remained a fortnight, and at the expiration of that period she was followed by her lover, and the parish clergyman performed the marriage ceremony. They then proceeded from the village to Scarborough, from whence it is supposed they have gone to the Isle of Wight. As to how her parent received the news of his adored daughter being married we are not enabled to say. "What is done, however, cannot be undone," therefore it would be pleasing to know that he still acknowledged the bride and groom.—*Manchester Guardian.*

A LUCKY SOLDIER.—Private M'Selly, late of the 1st Royals, lying in the camp at Colchester, has just been awarded, by a decree of the Court of Chancery, £8,000, with five years' arrears of interest. The fortunate recipient was recently discharged, after 21 years' service, with a pension of 1s per day.

Correspondence.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your correspondent, "R.M.P." in a letter under the above heading, has fallen into a serious error in his statement in reference to the Kildare-street Library, in the following passage, which I extract:—"From the accounts I have read of the fire it does not appear that the unfortunate persons who lost their lives ever appeared at any of the windows, so that the ordinary fire-escape would have been of no use to them." By that it would appear that to save life by the fire-escapes at present used in London, it is necessary that the inmates of the house should appear at the front windows. Such, however, is not the case, as will be seen from the last report of the Royal Society for the Protection of Life from Fire," which contains numerous instances in which the fire-escape conductors have rescued persons in a state of insensibility, who, but for their assistance, must have inevitably perished. I shall not trespass upon your space by quoting more than one remarkable case, given at page 21 of the last report.

"Case 5447—To Samuel Wood, Fire-Escape Conductor, No. 11, a third class for his silver medal, for intrepid conduct at a fire on the premises, 124, High-street, Whitechapel, at half-past twelve o'clock a.m., December 6th, 1859, when, by his extraordinary and persevering exertions, the lives of a whole family, and three other persons, altogether eleven in number, were rescued from what appeared inevitable death: he brought them all out of the second and third-floor windows, by seven different ascents of his fire-escape. The last time, whilst further searching the rooms, the conductor was himself overpowered by the smoke, and was only rescued at the last moment by the timely arrival and devoted conduct of Fire-Escape Conductor Cook. As the two conductors descended the escape together, the flames burst out at the window from which they had issued.

"Also, the society's silver medallion to the said Conductor Edward Cook, No. 28, in the society's service."

Of course, I am not prepared to assert that the three unfortunate victims of the Kildare-street fire would have been saved, but at least an attempt (probably a successful one) would have been made to do so. On behalf of the society at present organised in Dublin, may I earnestly entreat the householders of Dublin to at once come forward, and by their contributions enable the committee, as soon as the four fire-escapes which are at present being constructed for them in London are completed, to place them, with efficient conductors, in the various districts to which they will be assigned.

An account has been opened at Messrs. Hoare's & Co.'s, Castle-street, where subscriptions and donations will be received.

RICHARD DANIELL, M.R., 30, Baggot-street,
One of the Honorary Secretaries of the Fire-Escape Society.

November 27th, 1860.

VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Allow me, through the medium of your valuable paper, to call the attention of my fellow-students to the expediency of forming a Volunteer Fire Brigade in Trinity College. We possess a powerful fire engine and escape, together with a number of young men able, and, I think I may add, willing, to make themselves useful should they have the honour to remain.

"ONE OF THEM."

Trinity College, Monday.

THE CORPORATION.

A special meeting of this body was to have taken place yesterday, at one o'clock, but up to a quarter of three a sufficient number did not attend to constitute a house.

The following members only were present:—The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Aldermen Kinahan, Lambert, Campbell, Hoe, and Mackey; Councillors Grey Kelly, Carey, Ordner, O'Neill, Taggart, Redmond, Whelan, Gavacan, and French.

The business to be transacted was to consider what steps are to be taken by the Council to provide the funds requisite to meet the expenses necessarily attendant upon soliciting a bill for providing an improved supply of water for this city, and other places adjacent thereto, and to take all such steps, adopt all such measures, and give such directions, as shall appear to the Council expedient and necessary to provide such funds; to receive and consider a report from a committee of the entire Council, dated 20th day of November, 1860, in relation to the soliciting of the Water Bill.

The Lord Mayor, after the lapse of an hour and three quarters, said he regretted that a sufficient number had not attended, as the business to be transacted was very important and urgent. Having, however, waited so long, he supposed there was no use in further detaining the gentlemen who had attended. Alderman Reynolds then observed that those gentlemen who had not attended were treating the public, as well as the members who had attended, badly. It was a strange thing that, after canvassing the citizens to obtain a seat in the Corporation, they should absent themselves on an important occasion like the present, and thus neglect to discharge their duty. The parties present then separated.

LANDED ESTATES COURT—YESTERDAY.

(Before Judge Longfield.)

COUNTY MAYO.

In re the Estate of John Lee H. Browne, owner and petitioner.

This property included the fee-simple and leasehold estates in the baronies of Clanmorris and Costello, in the county and town of Mayo, containing 5,924 acres. It was set up for auction, in 59 lots.

Lot 1—Comprising part of the town and parks of Clanmorris, situate in the barony of Clanmorris, 89a 1r 27p; nett rental, £27 6s 8d. Sold to Mr Kelly, in trust for Michael M Higgins, for £1,050.

Lot 2—Do. 2a 3r 12p; nett rent, £21 13s 9d. Sold to Mr Jordan, in trust, for Mr A C Lambert, for £560.

Lot 3—Do, 3a 2r 3p; nett rent, £14 10s 3d. Sold to Mr Burke, attorney, in trust, for £220.

Lot 4—Do. 2a 3r 8p; nett rent, £6 1s 1d. Sold to Thos Higgins, for £95.

Lot 5—Do, 1a 0r 32p; nett rent, £9 7s 1d. Sold to J Burke, in trust, for £60.

Lot 6—Do, 3a 0r 6p; nett rent, £3 11s. Sold to Mr Pearson, in trust, at £160.

Lot 7—Do, 1r 18p; nett rent, £15 17s 11d. Sold to John Kelly, for £.35.

Lot 8—Do, 1a 0r 3p; nett rent, £4 18s 0½d. Sold to John Griffin, in trust, at £180.

Lot 9—Do, 19p; nett rent, £12 11s. Sold to same, for £95.

Lot 10—Do, 1r 27p; nett rent, £4 5s. Sold to same, at £85.

Lot 11—Do, 1r 25p; nett rent, £3 9s 11d. Sold to Mr Kelly, at £60.

Lot 12—Do, 1r 1p; nett rent, £2 19s 8d. Sold to Mr W K Clay, in trust, at £55.

Lot 13—Do, 2r 22p; nett rent, £5 13 9d. Sold to same, at £80.

Lot 14—Do, 1a 1r 24p; nett rent, £9 2s 11d. Sold to Edward Burke, at £145.

Lot 15—Do, 43a 2r 27p; nett rent, £29 5s 1d. Sold to Mr Wade, in trust, at £705.

Lot 16—Do, 73a 3r 18p; nett rent, £47 13s 5d. Sold to same, at £1,425.

Lot 17—Do, 29a 3r 23p; nett rent, £33 15s 2½d. Sold to Ed Burke, at £905.

Lot 18—Do, 38a 2r 22p; nett rent, £26 0s 9d. Sold to Mr Wade, in trust, at £740.

Lot 19—Do, 5a 2r 6p; nett rent, £31 9s 3d. Sold to J Kelly, in trust, at £500.

Lot 20—Do, 6a 0r 22p; nett rent, £3 8s. Sold to Mr Blacker, at £125.

Lot 21—Do, 27a 2r 2p; nett rent, £13 2s 11d. Sold to Mr Lambert, in trust, for £295.

Lot 22—Do, 1a 2r 2p; nett rent, £6 0s 7d. Sold to J Burke, in trust, for £80.

Lot 23—Do, 8a 0r 31p; nett rent, £102 8s 9d. Sold to Mr M'Donnell, at £1,420.

Lot 24—Do, 8r 25p; nett rent, £9 0s 10d. Sold to Mr Blacker, at £150.

Lot 25—Do, 2r 13p; nett rent, £38 11s 6½d. Sold to J Burke, at £550.

Lot 26—Do, 30p; nett rent, £7 12s 7d. Sold to Mr Lambert, at £135.

Lot 27—Do, 5a 0r 19p; nett rent, £14 18s 1d. Sold to Mr Griffin, in trust, at £100.

Lot 28—Do, 16a 3r 19p; nett rent, £14 3s 6d. Sold to J Burke, at £235.

Lot 29—Do, 1r 32p; nett rent, £4 13s 10d. Sold to Mr O'Hara, in trust, at £75.

Lot 30—Do, 3r 28p; nett rent, £4 17s 6d. Sold to Mr M Gilligan, at £90.

Lot 31—Do, 1a 1r 37p; nett rent, £8 17s 10d. Sold to Pat O'Donnell, at £155.

Lot 32—Do, 35p; nett rent, £10 15s 9d. Sold to Mr Griffin, at £185.

Lot 33—Do, 4a 2r 23p; nett rent, £2 14s 6d. Sold to Mr Lambert, at £70.

Lot 34—Do, 1a 2r 39p; nett rent, £47 1s 9d. Sold to Mr Clay, at £500.

Lot 35—Do, 37a 0r 8p; nett rent, £25 13s 8d. Sold to Mr Thomas Hodgens, solicitor, at £1,190, in trust.

Lot 36—Do, 3a 3r 3p; nett rent, £23 9s 11d. Sold to Edward Burke, at £350.

Lot 37—Do, 45a 1r 9p; nett rent, £32 9s 8d. Sold to Mr Wade, at £810.

Lot 38—Do, 69a 1r 17p; nett rent, £23 7s 2d. Sold to same, at £360.

Lot 39—Do, 72a 1r 5p; nett rent, £33 0s 3d. Sold to same, at £668.

Lot 40—Do, 91a 2r 9p; nett rent, £37 5s 4d. Sold to P J Kelly, in trust, for £1,000.

Lot 41—Do, 109a 3r 8p; nett rent, £36 19s 8d. Sold to same, at £1,405.

Lot 42—Do, 128a 3r 12p; nett rent, £50 9s 2d. Sold to Mr Jolly, in trust, for £1,850.

Lot 43—Do, 11a 1r 27p; nett rent, £16 11s 4d. Sold to Mr Lambert, at £525.

Lot 44—Comprising the lands of Drimneen, *alias* Drumneen South, in the barony of Clanmorris, and county of Mayo, held in fee, 104a 1r 22p; nett rent, £22 18s 2d. Sold to Mr Hodgins, at £1,050.

Lot 45—Comprising Ballinsmaula, in same situation, held similarly, 201a 1r 15p; nett rent, £29 10s 4½d. Sold to Mr Gaussen, in trust, at £3,000.

Lot 46—Carrowteelaune, Gortgariffe, held similarly; 261a 2r 27p; nett rent, £106 19s 2d. Sold to Mr Clay, in trust, at £2,000.

Lot 47—Cloonkeeghan, or Cloghermore, Cloondinane, 353a 2r 21p; nett rent, £191 1s 3½, held similarly. Sold to same, at £3,260.

Lot 48—Drumshinna, Knocktaggart, Pauldrinan, and Grallagh 435a 1r 29p; nett rent, £171 1s 0½d, held in fee. Sold to Mr Burke, at £3,720, in trust.

Lot 49—Ahens, and subdenomination of Devlinmore and Parkmore, fee-simple, 259a 1r 24p; nett rent, £140 15s 5½d. Sold to same, at £3,220.

Lot 50—Knoxgraffy, Rushtens, Raiseraun, &c., fee-simple; 621a 1r; £178 12s 7d. Sold to Mr Clay, at £3,010.

Lot 51—Killeguinlone, 375a 3r 3p; nett rent, £145 3s 10½d; fee-simple. Sold to Mr Burke, for £3,500.

Lot 52—Lisnaugh, &c, &c, 928a 0r 10p; nett rent, £424 4s 7½d; fee-simple. Sold to Mr Clay, at £7,000.

Lot 53—Lisnaboley, &c, &c, 925a 1r 25p; nett rent, £45 15s 0d; held in fee. Sold to Mr Wade, in trust, at £1,780.

Lot 54—Roosleybeg, 69a 3r 10p; nett rent, £29 18s 4½d, held in fee. Sold to Mr Lambert, at £1,450.

Lot 55—Meelick, 305a 0r 15p; nett rent, £87 0s 1½d. Sold to Mr Jordan, at £2,610.

Lot 56—Cloongeoilstran, 97a 3r 29p; nett rent, £33 15s 7½d; held in fee. Sold to Mr Edward Burke, at £1,430.

Lot 57—Carlough, 109a 2r 28p; nett rent, £16 16s 11d; held in fee. Sold to Mr Blacker, at £350.

Lot 58—Gremar, 11a 0r 24p; nett rent, £5 19s 2½d; held in fee. Sold to Mr O'Loughlin, at £220.

Lot 59 and last—Cloghertag, 13a 3r 26p; nett rent, £10 3s 9½d; held in fee. Sold to Mr Clay, in trust, at £1,920.

The sale of this property occupied the court the entire day.

Solicitor having carriage of the sale—Mr Frederick Sutton, 22, Bancroft-street.

The *Herald* says there were yesterday discouraging reports with regard to the difficulties in the Greek trade both in London and Manchester. The failure of M. C. Agelasto, of Manchester, was announced; liabilities said to be £60,000.

The inquiry respecting the loss of the Connaught was resumed yesterday, and again adjourned.

ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

On Monday evening the large room at Burlington-house, in which the Geographical Society hold their meetings, was crowded to hear a communication from Captain Maury, of the United States, on the physical geography of the Antartic Regions. The president (Lord Ashburton) occupied the chair; and, before the business appropriated for the evening commenced, he mentioned that another letter had been received from Captain Speke, who is endeavouring to reach the sources of the Nile, and, addressed to the Geographical Society of the Nile, and, addressed to the Geographical Society of the Nile, which might open important resources. He said that the region to be explored, of which we now know no more than of the moon, is only ten days' steam from Australia; and if this country did not shortly undertake to investigate the hidden treasures of the antarctic circle, the United States would "go ahead."

Admiral Fitzroy highly eulogised Captain Maury's exertions in promoting the knowledge of the physical geography of the sea, and mentioned some of the important practical results which had been obtained from his labours in facilitating the navigation of the ocean. The Government of the United States, he said, had acted with the utmost liberality in supplying gratuitously the 700 quarto volumes of sailing directions, compiled by Captain Maury, and 12,000 charts, which were of great use to navigators.

Captain Washington was of opinion that little benefit would be derived from Antartic exploration, and he reminded Captain Maury that Cooke, Ross, and other celebrated navigators had already made the attempt. He said that the United States had done less than any other maritime nation in making explorations, and as their whalers were very numerous in the south seas, he advised Captain Maury to recommend his own Government to make the attempt, for he was sure the Government of this country would not. He wished to know what was likely to be found in the frozen Antartic regions that would be worth the search?

Captain Maury—Everything. (Loud laughter and applause).

Sir Leopold M'Clintock confirmed Captain Maury's opinion that icebergs are formed on land and launched on the water.

Sir E. Belcher was inclined to attribute the warmer temperature of the southern hemisphere to the Gulf Stream, which flows along the whole coast of South America, and round Cape Horn.

Captain Jansen, of Holland, mentioned that by taking advantage of Captain Maury's sailing directions the passage from Holland to Java and to Australia had been made in 10 and 15 day's shorter time than by the previous course.

Captain Maury replied to the remarks of Captain Washington, observing that he was "stealing his thunder," for he (Captain Maury) claimed Captain Cooke as an American (Loud laughter).

After some observations from the President, thanks were voted to Captain Maury, and the meeting adjourned.

THE ENGLISH CAPTIVES AT PEKIN.

Mr. William Charles F. Helmuth T. de Norman, the First Attaché to the Hon. Frederick Bruce's mission to China, who has been taken prisoner by the Chinese, is the only son of Baroness de Norman, and cousin of the Marquis of Northampton, Lady Marian Alford, and Lord William Compton. Mr. de Norman was for a short period attached to the British Legation at Washington, and was afterwards transferred to

Foreign Intelligence.

FRANCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, NOV. 24TH.—The *Patrie* mentions that the French troops, marching down to Terracina, were everywhere well received, and that, besides the occupation of Terracina, the garrisons of Velletri and Frosolo one after the other. These military changes render the are to be increased. These military changes render the French army of the eastern frontier of the States of the Church, which, says the *Patrie*, will ensure the most perfect tranquillity. According to the Nationalites of Turin, a deputation from the clergy of Naples went in procession on the 19th, to the Royal Palace, to offer their congratulations to Victor Emmanuel. They were accompanied by an immense crowd. General Ulloa has accompanied by an immense crowd. General Ulloa has written a letter from Marseilles, disclaiming all connection with Francis II., and announcing that his most ardent wish, in common with that of every good Italian, is to see all Italy united under the liberal and constitutional royalty of Victor Emmanuel.

The *Journal de St. Petersbourg* expresses itself highly displeased with Lord John Russell's circular to Sir J. Hudson, and asks what would be the consequences if the principles of public law, as approved of by the English statesman, were put in practice by the inhabitants of Ireland and the Ionian Isles ?

The *Constitutionnel* has an article, in which it explains the advantages of the arrangement just entered into by the Banks of France and England, admitting, however, that the gain will be on the French side.

We have Madrid journals up to the 19th. Most of them have their borders decorated, and contain appropriate pieces of poetry, in honour of the Queen of Spain's *fete* day. They contain no political news of interest.

The Emperor has decreed that out of the 1,000,000f. left at his disposal by the death of Prince Jerome 300,000f. shall be added to the dowry of the Princess Mathilde; the remaining 700,000f. to return to the Treasury.

Mr. Cobden, accompanied by Monsieur Voisin, Receiver-General of the department of the Maine et Loire, arrived at Nantes on the 21st, and was entertained at dinner by the Prefect. From Nantes he intends visiting St. Nizaire. The object of his tour is to collect commercial information.

An Imperial decree has just appeared, permitting the export of iron ores free of duty.

The leading merchants of Orleans are about to present a petition, praying for a reduction in the charges for telegraphic dispatches.

Monsieur Liedts, Governor of Brabant, has arrived here to renew negociations for a treaty of commerce with France.

A law in the *Presse* an interesting article from the pen of M. Figuier, on the reproduction of manuscripts by photography; and as the art of photography has become so fashionable among amateurs, the article in question will, I think, be read with general interest. M. Figuier commences by remarking that, "on old manuscripts the ink, under the influence of time, assumes a yellowish tint, which often becomes undistinguishable from that of the parchment. In consequence, they cannot be read without the greatest difficulty. Now, during the photographic process, the bright and polished parts of the parchment reflect light much better than those where the ink has been deposited. No matter how colourless the ink may appear, it has not lost its antiphogenic qualities, opposed to the phogenic ones of the parchment, and, thanks to this opposition, black characters may be produced on the sensitive surface, in return for much paler ones on the original." The Sporza Manuscript has recently been reproduced in this way, many passages being actually revived which, in the original, could not be deciphered.

Madame de Genlis' granddaughter, the Baroness Durard, has just died. The plan of transplanting full grown trees is very much practised here, and it is this custom which gives to the new Boulevards the air of having existed for years. The process of transplanting these trees is a most difficult one, requiring as it does so much care, but it is found to succeed perfectly, the trees not appearing to suffer in the least. There is a fine old Lebanon cedar at Chaillot, which is about to be moved from there to the Champs Elysees. It is late in the season to be changing its quarters, but, as the weather is mild, it will, I hope, accomplish its journey in safety.

(FROM THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE GLOBE.)

PARIS, SUNDAY EVENING.—The new Imperial decrees concerning the Senate and Corps Legislatif will be the theme of much dissentient and conflicting commentary on your side of the Channel; but there is a highly important concession to public control by the announced admission of "strangers in the gallery" for both assemblies, and also in the right recognised, as part of senatorial as well as representative privileges, to interrogate and catechise the Ministerial benches on any point of foreign or domestic policy which may require satisfactory explanation.

The return of Walewski to Cabinet functions would under other circumstances betoken no good to Italy, but in the present posture of affairs the ex-champion of Grand Dukes and Normanby of bygone Courts must find his old occupation utterly gone. The *Debats* has emphatically declared that there can be no half measures, no compromise, no middle term in dealing with the Peninsula, unless statesmen seek deliberately to nullify themselves, and the question of Venice is every day assuming a more decided aspect, and every rag (even to this last) of the old tattered Holy Alliance policy is torn to atoms by the undying force and recuperative energy of a whole nation's resolve.

The *Correspondance Stern* (Berlin paper) positively announces that France, Prussia, and England are in negociation with Austria about the terms of relinquishment, and that these three Powers are agreed to some territorial compensation to the Lower Danube, the nature of which it is rather difficult to conjecture. The Prussian journal goes on to add that Russia opposes some difficulty to any extension of Austrian influence in that quarter, but that this obstacle is likely to be removed by certain arrangements favourable to the development of the Russo-Greek element in the Levant, by aggrandising and consolidating the kingdom of Greece. One of the symptoms that such a plan is entertained at the Tuileries is found in *L'Independance Belge* with reference to a late movement among some Bulgarian Dissenters, who, to withdraw from the political pressure of Russia, have imagined a secession to the Latin communion, and have actually sent an address to Rome embodying that measure. As they had also claimed the aid of France in furtherance of the scheme, orders had reached M. Lavalette to discountenance on the part of this Government any political agitation of this sort, the ignorance of the seceders in all theological questions being a guarantee that religion has nothing to do with the business.

It is remarked in Paris that the Russian Minister Rescoff dined last night in the family circle at the residence of the Princess Mathilde with the Emperor, and that the Prussian Envoy was in attendance at the evening assembly, and that all the newly-appointed Cabinet Ministers joined the party. Mathilde is now in a position to act the part so long played at Paris by Countess Lieven, inasmuch as this week a reversion of 300,000f. a year (£12,000), part of her late father's civil allowance, has been made over on her, in addition to her previous jointure from Demidoff, and other endowments from the civil list.

The unexpected sale by the banker Felix Solar of his valuable collection of rare MS. books (*incunabula*), compiled with the known fact that he has either mortgaged or parted with the property he had purchased in *La Fleur de Grandin*, to the banker Mirabaud, already owner of the *Constitutionnel* and the *Pays*, has formed a topic of speculation as to his financial position, which well-informed folks know to be perfectly sound; nor would I allude to it at all but to record a rather felicitous adaptation to his supposed case of pecuniary difficulties in a wag applying to him the distich every schoolboy has learnt by rote—

Donec eris Felix multos numerabis amicos.
Tempora si fuerint nubila Solar eris.

Letters from the Hague announce the removal, by legislative enactment in the Dutch Chambers, of the formalities which hitherto rendered access to the East India possessions of Holland very difficult to foreigners. It was currently reported that the intending visitor or settler should get two responsible Dutchmen of the mother country to go security for his good behaviour in Batavia, Java, or the Spice Island Archipelago, which thus were fenced round, like Japan, from foreign interlopers. The impolicy of this antiquated system has dawned on the mind of Mynheer, and Europeans may now go unrestricted "down among the Dutchmen" in those remote diggings.

A correspondent writing from Paris, on Sunday evening, says :—

The decree which appears in the *Moniteur* this morning shows how well-founded were the doubts expressed of the intention of the Emperor to grant "liberal reforms." Seldom has an enlightened and civilised country been insulted by a measure more derisive. As my Saturday's letter will have informed you what was expected was a real liberal measure—it was thought that the press would be freed from its trammels; that the Legislative Assembly would obtain some degree of control over the acts of the Executive. In a word, that the "reforms" talked about would be something besides a mockery. I warned you how fallacious were those hopes, and the event has fully justified my anticipations. The decree in the *Moniteur* merely authorises the Government nominees in the Corps Legislatif, and its "silent sister," the Senate, to vote an address in answer to the Imperial Speech, and the Corps Legislatif is to be permitted to amend such measures as it is allowed to give an opinion upon. The papers are not to be allowed to report the proceedings, but the Government officials will draw up an account of the proceedings, and forward it to the journals, whilst the *Moniteur* next morning will publish a "full report," and we all know from previous experience what that means. That is the sum total of the "extension of liberty" which the Government feels disposed to grant, and the Government hirelings will, no doubt, reproach the Liberal press for their "ingratitude" in not being delighted with the Imperial condescension. Meanwhile the law which enables a Minister to inflict warnings, suspensions, and suppressions continues in full force; the famous *lois des suspects*, which gives the Imperial Government the same privileges as those conferred in olden days by the *lettre de cachet*, remains in full operation. The innovation merely gives an appearance of greater freedom—the chains are more carefully concealed, but the wretches whose movements they hamper cannot forget their existence, though they may not be so apparent to the public eye. In a word the "concessions" are unanimously set down as an insolent deception by those who had been shortsighted enough to suppose that the Emperor really meant to give up a little of the power concentrated in his hands. Those who have made Imperialism their study may point out to the decree as a further proof of the conclusion they have long arrived at, that a Government which has only subsisted by oppressing intellect and education, by appealing to the passions of a ruffianly mob, and to the blind support of military mercenaries, cannot at any future time of its career appeal to the intelligence and education of the country, whose unanimous verdict condemns its very existence. The Imperial Government has declared war to the knife against those classes of society whose participation in the Government can alone ensure the success of liberal institutions, and they are by no means blinded as to their real character of the modifications now announced for the purpose of deceiving the ignorant vulgar at home and abroad, and affording a fresh theme to journalistic flunkeyism at home and abroad, to celebrate the great goodness, wisdom, and sagacity of the "Saviour of Society." The decree runs thus :—

"Napoleon, by the Grace of God and the national will, Emperor of the French.

"To all whom these presents may concern greeting :—

"Desiring to afford to the great bodies of the State a more direct participation in the general policy of our Government, and a marked proof of our confidence, we decree :—

"Art. 1. That the Senate and the Corps Legislatif shall annually vote an address in reply to our speech at the opening of the Chambers.

"Art. 2. This address will be discussed in the presence of the Government Commissioners, who will give the Chamber the necessary explanations on the interior and exterior policy of the Empire.

"Art. 3. In order to facilitate to the Legislative Body the expression of its opinion in the preparation of the laws and the exercise of the right of amendment, Art. 54 of our decree of March 22, 1852 is put in force, and the regulation of the Legislative Body is modified in the following manner :—

"Immediately after the distribution of the projects of law, and at the day fixed by the president, the Legislative Body, before naming its commission, assembles in secret committee, a summary discussion is opened on the project of law and the Government Commissioners take part in it. The present disposition is applicable neither to projects of law of local interest, nor to cases of urgency.

"Art. 4. In order to render the reproduction of the debates of the Senate and the Legislative Body more complete, the following project of a senatus consulte shall be presented to the Senate, and will :—

"'The reports of the sittings of the Senate and the Legislative Body, drawn up by the secretaires-redacteurs under the authority of the President of each Assembly, are addressed every evening to the journals. Moreover, the debates of every sitting are reported in short-hand, and inserted *in extenso* in the official journal of the following day.'

"Art. 5. During the session, the Emperor will name the Ministers without portfolio to defend before the Chambers, in concert with the President and the member of the Council of State, the projects of law of the Government.

"Art. 6. The Ministry of our household is suppressed; its functions are joined to those of the Grand Marshal of the Palace.

"Art. 7. The Ministry of Algeria and the Colonies is suppressed. The Administration of the Colonies is united with the Ministry of the Marine.

"Art. 8. Services which do not directly belong to public instruction or the special establishments of the University are withdrawn from the Ministry of Public Instruction, and placed among the functions of the Ministry of State.

"Art. 9. The Stud Department is removed from the Ministry of Agriculture, Commerce, and Public Works, and placed among the functions of the Ministry of State."

The decree also orders some changes in the functions of the Ministries of Public Instruction, Works, Agriculture, and Commerce.

"Art. 10. M. Chasseloup-Laubat has been appointed Marine and Colonial Minister.

"Art. 11. Marshal Pelissier has been appointed Governor-General of Algeria.

"Art. 12. Admiral Hamelin has been appointed Grand Chancellor of the Legion of Honour.

"Art. That part of the public service which is not directly connected with public instruction, as well as the special establishments of the University, are transferred from the Ministry of Instruction to that of the State.

"Art. 13. The Ministers without portfolios have the rank and treatment of the Ministers with functions; they form part of the Council of Ministers, and are lodged at the expense of the State.

"Art. 14. Our Minister of State is charged with the direction of the present decree.

"Done at the Palace of the Tuileries.

"Nov. 24, 1860. "NAPOLEON.

"By the Emperor.

"The Minister of State, A. WALEWSKI."

The only evening papers which are not in the pay of Government, the *Presse* and the *Gazette de France*, say as much touching this precious decree as they dare venture. In the *Presse* M. Neffizer, with his usual quite irony, says :—

"Our share in the public satisfaction is wholly disinterested, the more so as the decree now published does not contain the slightest allusion to the press."

The *Presse* also publishes the 54th article of the decree of March 22nd, 1852. I subjoin it, and you will see the value of the power of amendment which is conferred upon the Chamber—

"Art. 54. In the event of any article (of a bill) being rejected, that article is referred to the commission. Each deputy may present amendments to it in the time prescribed by Articles 48 and 49 of the present decree. present any amendment they think fit! If the commission is of opinion that a fresh proposition should be made, the substance thereof is transmitted to the President of the Legislative Body, who transmits it to the Council of State. The formalities prescribed by Articles 51, 52, 53 and 54 of the present decree are then gone through, and the public vote which follows is definitive."

The *Gazette de France* courageously remarks, that the measure is only to use the Liberal party as a weapon by which the Emperor may combat his Ultramontane and clerical opponents.

In the *Pays* M. Granier de Cassagnac devotes half a column to the glorification of the Emperor's "wisdom," &c. What effect this nauseous stuff must produce upon the Imperial mind it would be curious to know. M. Granier, however, as a member of the Corps Legislatif, probably fancies himself bound to express his "gratitude." The *Opinions Nationale* promises to give its opinion to-morrow. The *Patrie* has a feeble ejaculation of satisfaction, which is not more than was to be expected.

From Naples we have a confirmation of the illness of Francis II., which, under the circumstances, is but natural. The last two months have been sufficient to try the health of a far stronger man. His resistance, which may now be pronounced at an end, will shed a halo round his name, and redeem the faults which marked the commencement of his unpopular reign. Though all friends of Italy must rejoice at his fall, it is impossible not to respect the courage and manly bearing he has shown in adversity.

The new liberal system was inaugurated to day by the seizure of a host of papers. The *Morning* and *Evening Herald*, the *Morning* and *Evening Standard*, *Press*, *Saturday Review*, *Army and Navy Gazette*, the *Nord* of Brussels, and others of less note, were confiscated by the Imperial police.

The conferences which commenced on Wednesday at the Foreign-office, relative to the cession of Venetia, were, I am informed, continued yesterday. In addition to the representatives of Austria and Russia, the Prussian Minister, Prince de Reuss, was present.

It is whispered that other changes besides those announced in the *Moniteur* are in contemplation. M. de Persigny will, *dit-on*, replace at the Home Office M. Billault, whose oratorical powers are to be turned to account in a ministership *sans portefeuille*. The London embassy will, it is reported, devolve in that case on M. de Morny, who is notorious for his anti-English feeling.

M. Guersault, editor of the *Opinion Nationale*, was on Friday sentenced to £40 fine for publishing false news —viz, a note which he represented as coming from the Austrian Embassy, which stated that Prince Metternich had presented an ultimatum to the Emperor. It came out on the trial that the note, which probably came from M. de la Guerronière's office, was sent to a lithographic news agency in Paris, where it fell into the hands of M. Texier, a journalist in favour at the Palais Royal. M. Texier stated he took it to Prince Napoleon. The President tried to prevent him from pronouncing the august name, and told the *grifier* (the functionary acting as *Verges* on the occasion) to write down the "Prince's secretary," notwithstanding M. Texier's demurring. The scent, I am informed, was highly amusing, and derived additional piquancy when M. Guersault stated he got the "false news from the Palais Royal." However, it not being M. Guersault's interest to compromise his protector, his counsel was instructed to draw it mild, and the sentence was cheerfully acquiesced in. A full report of the case would be as good as a farce. The efforts of the President to check the ever-willing witnesses prodigced, I am told by one who was present, an effect which Keeley or Robson might envy.

CONDITION OF THE NEAPOLITAN DOMINIONS.

The following is from a correspondent, dating Naples, Nov. 19 :—

The annexations to Sardinia which have taken place in Central Italy were completed with calmness, and accompanied by a real enthusiasm for the union of Italy under the sovereign rule of Victor Emmanuel. The annexation of Naples forms a painful contrast to the rest of Italy in this respect. The Bourbons had given the priests more power here, the political spy more authority, whilst the education of the people, if education it may be called, taught the ignorant to mix up mysteriously the authority of the King with that of religion—thus often giving the image of a Ferdinand or a Francis the same place on the altar of the Church as that assigned to a Madonna or the saints. Beyond the large towns the Government and priestly authority were one and the same, and alike feared and respected. Imagine such a population at the present moment infested with wandering bands of broken up troops, and priests and monks urging them to believe they have a right to plunder "the enemies of the Church and King." From the districts of Terra di Livoro, the Abruzzi, and other distant provinces, we hear of outrages of every description. Groups of men prowl about from village to village, begging first, then threatening, and finally, if not satisfied, seizing by main force food, clothing, money (if they can find it), and, in fact, doing the work of brigands. Throughout the country the reactionary friends of the King at Gaeta seek to create anarchy, with the view of disgusting the people with King Victor Emmanuel and constitutional rule. With such a population as the Neapolitan, and under such circumstances as I have described, you may imagine the result. It will take some time to correct all this, and require all the energy of Sardinian troops and Sardinian authority to restore tranquility. We have had one or two small reactionary demonstrations in the city of Naples—one headed by a priest, and another by an officer of the Royal Guard. In each instance these Bourbon chiefs paid a number of lazzaroni one carlino (4d) each to run after them in the streets with white flags and shout "Viva Francesco Secondo!" The National Guard soon dispersed the small mob, and many arrests took place

The reactionary party will not succeed in the capital; at least to any extent. Farini and his Cabinet are acting with praiseworthy vigour; and, depend upon it, the ecclesiastical revolutionists will be punished, in Northern Italy. To relieve the lower classes, Government has done away with the duty on all breadstuffs entering the city of Naples, as well as beans and other articles of food consumed by the poor. This is a great boon, for food is now very dear, and no ruler in this country can afford to neglect discontent originating in scarcity. Ferdinand used to say, "I can govern my people with cheap bread and Swiss soldiers."

Another wise act on the part of the King of Italy is the gift of 200,000f. from his private purse for educational purposes. It is felt by the Sardinians that Austria's strength in Italy was the ignorance of the people. Laws for the press and some useful and some practical general legislation are in preparation by the Governor Farini, and although there are many difficulties to overcome, I look forward with confidence and hope. The aristocracy—the most intelligent—have mostly returned, and the other night the noble ladies of Naples sang a hymn to the King of Italy; most have presented themselves, and the Lord Lieutenant will have a brilliant little court circle when we get settled. The whole aspect of Naples will change; and commerce, the arts and sciences will be patronised, and export and import commerce, I will venture to say, will be doubled within five years; but I suspect we shall have more taxes to pay, at least if this country is to participate in the warlike preparations of Northern Italy. We have many strangers; but the weather has been so unfavourable I do not wonder we have not yet seen any of the usual winter wanderers.

The theatres, and all places in the Toledo have been so much washed of late by the heavy rains that they look very shabby and mournful. The most handsome construction is that of the Largo di Carita—a grand column surmounted by a statue of Napoleon II. Our bay is still animated with several vessels of war—two or three British ships of war coming and going always; two Prussian steamers, and the following French ships :—La Reine Hortense, Alexandre, Redoubtable, St Louis, l'Impetueux, and the Prony. There is an equal number of foreign vessels at Gaeta.

A few words about military affairs. The English legion, like all such bodies, is discontented and quarrelling with itself and all the world. They want to get rid of their commander, Colonel Peard, and I think they will succeed. They are now quartered at Caserta. The men of Garibaldi's brave band are to be permitted (men and officers) to take service in the Sardinian army, the rank of officers being confirmed, whilst the men will have some special reward. The Bourbons, who have thrown themselves on the Sardinians by force, because the King refused to let them into Gaeta, are arriving in Naples. They, like other Neapolitan troops, will be shipped off to Piedmont, and will not return until Victor Emmanuel's power is consolidated. Your special correspondent will doubtless give you full particulars of what is going on at Gaeta. A Neapolitan officer, who was quartered there some time since, assures me that the place can hold out two or three months if the sea is open to the King, and the garrison has only to fire upon the land attack. I hear the Sardinians have lately got up their siege guns, and will open fire at the end of the month. You may ask why does Francis hold out. Simply because he believes the reaction in the kingdom will assume such proportions as to enable him to recover his throne. He believes, too, that the Sovereigns of Europe favour him, and will, after all, come to his aid if he holds out much longer. Austria and Spain send him encouraging dispatches. Napoleon keeps the seaboard open for him. Money and blessings reach Francis from Rome, and he believes that by causing more Italian blood to flow he serves the cause of Heaven and the divine right of kings.

CURIOUS EPISODE IN THE BELGIAN CHAMBER.

On Friday last the following conversation preceded the discussion of the orders of the day :—

Count Vilain XIV. rose to speak upon a question of order. He wished to address an interpellation to the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Gentlemen, questions d'etiquette are often questions of national dignity. In the *Moniteur* of this morning, in reference to the arrival at Antwerp of her Imperial Majesty the Empress of Austria, I read the following :—"As soon as the train stopped, the Empress descended from the Royal carriages, and was received by the superior authorities." It was remarked in conformity doubtless with the German ceremonial, the Duchess of Brabant and the Count de Flanders knelt upon the ground whilst kissing the hand of the Empress Elizabeth. Now, I was not at Antwerp at the time, and therefore know nothing personally of the matter; nevertheless, I say that that statement is not true—that it is impossible (Tres bien," from several voices). While I was in the Department of Foreign Affairs I have always observed the very dignified deportment of the Duchess of Brabant. I know that her Imperial Highness appreciates as the most honourable her position of Princess Royal of Belgium, and I believe that there is no person in Europe who understands the laws of etiquette better than the Duchess of Brabant. Every one, however, who is acquainted with the laws of etiquette, must be aware of the fact that no sovereign prince, or princess, ought to kneel before any other sovereign except before the Sovereign Pontiff alone. Upon one occasion only, when a sovereign princess arrived in this country to espouse the son of the King she made the gesture of bending the knee before the Sovereign. But with the exception of this isolated fact never has a prince or princess bent the knee before another. It is positively therefore that statement to which I have referred is false. In reading it this morning in the *Moniteur* I avow that a blush mantled my face. Perhaps the Minister for Foreign Affairs has experienced the same feeling. If it, however, possible that the statement in the *Moniteur*, as to what has happens to the Ministers. But I wish that he would communicate with the Duchess of Brabant, and that on to-morrow, or Monday, he would state to us here officially what I now say officiously, that the statement in the *Moniteur* is not true. We must have an explanation on this subject, because this article of the *Moniteur* will be read all the courts and chancelleries of Europe. They will laugh at us; and I, for one, object that we should be laughed at (expressions of approval).

Baron de Vriere (Minister for Foreign Affairs).—I regret that the honourable member has not given notice of his interpellation. The Chamber must be aware that this is a very delicate subject. I have not any knowledge of the fact to which my attention is now drawn. I have not read the article in the *Moniteur*. Without doubt the Government may be held responsible up to a certain point for the facts found in that journal, even if the non-official part, as it has the direction of the *Moniteur*, but you know, gentlemen, that, ordinarily speaking, it has the responsibility only of that portion of it which is comprised in the official part. It often happens that in the *Moniteur* are found communications of a non-official character, which, though apparently issuing under the control of ministers, have nevertheless, been published without having been subjected to their close examination. They contain at times even qualifications which are by no means conformable either to the political organisation of the country or the court. I therefore pray the Chamber not to require me to enter into any other explanations upon the point. I will undertake to procure the information asked for, but I am quite certain of this fact that our princes and princess are incapable of doing anything contrary to the national dignity. (Cheers.)

M. Devaux.—I cannot understand why we should constitute ourselves judges of the rules of etiquette, because such a step is certainly not the role of the Chamber. Count Vilain XVI may know the rules of etiquette. I confess I do not know them so precisely. I call upon the Chamber not to mix itself up in any matter involving a censure upon the etiquette of the court. Neither ought the court to mix itself up in what might be deemed a censure upon us. I think that each ought to confine their attention within the circle of their own attributions. I repeat it, I think that it does not come within the province of the Chamber to censure the etiquette of the Court, except as far as it may be necessary to ensure a due observance of the laws that are enacted.

Count Vilain XIV.—I do not ask the Chamber to erect itself into a judge of the etiquette of the Court. I only ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs to seek such information on the subject as will enable him to deny the statement in the *Moniteur*, in the official journal itself if not before the Chamber. The act therein reported, which I am certain is not true, will, in my eyes, be one of some embarrassment to this country if left uncontradicted.

Baron de Vriere—I ask leave to add an observation to that I have already said. The reception of the occasion alluded to was one of a family character quite, and had no official character whatever. If in that reception there was any demonstration offensive to the susceptibility of the hon. member he ought, upon consideration, to see in it but the accomplishment of a family custom observed in the particular relation of those princely families, and which partook in nowise of the character of the official etiquette of courts. This appears to me to be an essential distinction. If in the palace even princes judged it *apropos* to make certain demonstrations amongst themselves, either out of friendship or respect, the national dignity of the country could not be wounded. It is evident that in the relations of princes amongst themselves, if a Sovereign had done an act which placed him in a position *vis-a-vis* to Europe, or in a state of inferiority, the national susceptibility might be justly wounded. But in the present case the meeting was essentially a private one—indeed so private was it that the authorities prescribed a complete abstinence from the usual ceremony observed on such occasions.

M. Rogier, Minister of the Interior, remarked that some very ridiculous things often crept into the columns of the *Moniteur*. The Government could not possibly give their attention to everything that appeared in that journal.

Baron de Vriere—I think, upon reflection (I do not mean any reproach to the honourable member, whose susceptibility I honour) that the Chamber ought not to pay the least attention to any statement except what appears in an official character in the *Moniteur*. Even if this statement be true I do not think that the Chamber ought to take notice of it.

The subject then dropped.

TURKEY.

The following is from a correspondent, dating Vienna, Nov. 21 ;—

Implicit faith be given to all the reports which reach Vienna from Bulgaria, the Catholic propaganda must be making great progress in that province of Turkey, as well as in those of Bosnia and the Herzegovina. What makes the matter more surprising is, that in these provinces the major part of the population professes the orthodox Russian-Greek faith, and these are the people who are converted in masses to the Catholic religion; and this is at an epoch when such an event was least to be expected. You will understand that this event must be very disagreeable to the Government of Russia, which has always been accustomed to avail itself of the religious credulity of the orthodox Greeks to maintain and increase its political influence in these portions of the Ottoman empire; but what is not perhaps generally known is that France, as a great Catholic power, soon perceived what an advantage she might derive from this circumstance to the detriment of Russia. You will not, therefore, be surprised to learn that one meets everywhere throughout these three provinces French emissaries, who, assuming the appearance of devout Catholics, exert themselves to induce the credulous population to become converts to the Romish religion. It is known here that in many places these agents urge the numerous Rayahs, thus converted, to place themselves under the protection of the Emperor Louis Napoleon, the most powerful of all the Catholic Sovereigns. It would not, therefore, cause much astonishment if numerous requests, having countless signatures attached, praying the Emperor to deign to accept the protectorate, were to be sent to him, and thus he would be able to exercise it in the same manner that the Czar Nicholas did during his life over all converts in the European provinces of Turkey. It would result that if this project, artfully contrived and skilfully carried out by France, should succeed, as is not considered unlikely, the Emperor Napoleon, by obtaining for himself alone this great influence in the Danubian provinces, would become sooner or later the sole master of their political destiny, and, by extending his influence over the neighbouring countries peopled by the same race, he would be enabled to effect the accomplishment of his grand idea of founding a new Roumain kingdom by the union of all these peoples, in virtue of the new principle of nationalities, which kingdom would be entirely emancipated from the authority of the Ottoman Porte.

I know not how far the English Government is informed respecting this superb project, which has been long meditated upon in Paris, and has fermented, as we are assured in Vienna, in the head of the Emperor Napoleon ever since 1856; but what I do know is that all these schemes are perfectly well known to the Cabinets of Russia and Austria. It is needless to say that they take every care to prevent their execution. But the thing that makes the thing remarkable is that Russia, according to all appearance, maintains the most friendly relations with France, while the latter frustrates by every means in her power all her hopes and interferes with all the rights which she pretends to exercise over her co-religionists in the different Ottoman countries, and in which, after all her labours, wars, and sacrifices, she finds herself foiled by a power with whom she has in vain sought for the last four years to obtain an intimate alliance.

CHINA.

The following is a summary of correspondence received by last Mail :—

"The imperial commissioners were puzzled by the demands for a permanent residency at Peking, and for an immediate and large instalment of indemnity money. Their countermand for delay was met by the advance of Lord Elgin with a great portion of the allied force. Soon the towns upon the march were found to be in great part deserted, and supplies had to be taken by force. One large town, Ho-si-wu, was completely looted by the force, and it became evident that there must be another appeal to the terrors of the name of the Barbarians. Mr. Parkes and his party fell into the hands of the Chinese, and it was found that the army was surrounded by Tartar troops at the village of Ho-ko-chuang. An engagement immediately took place, which caused the Tartars to retire with some loss. A second engagement took place on the 21st September, when about twenty-five of our force and several hundreds of the enemy were placed *hors de combat*. The next day a flag of truce was sent in from Peking, and proposals were made, but in a quiet independent manner, to re-open negociations. On the following day supplies were sent in by the Chinese for the use of the allied army, which saved Tung-chau from being looted. The latest news we have are by a rare communication with a French steamer which entered the Yang-tsze as the mail from Shanghae was leaving. It brought intelligence from the seat of war up to the 27th or 28th of September, when the allied army was still in its position seven or eight miles from Peking, and two or three from Tung-chau. The statement was confirmed that the prisoners were well treated. The position of the prisoners, together with the want of more troops and of the siege guns, will cause considerable delay, and further complicate the question which arose between them and the imperial commissioners.

"The rebels still continue to absent themselves from the immediate neighbourhood of Shanghae. Their object in coming to that place was to be at a port where they could be in contact with foreigners, and obtain foreign ammunition and arms. Having been driven from Shanghae, it is likely they will try to effect their object by advancing on one of the other ports where foreigners reside.

"In the south of China there is nothing stirring; and but for the news from the north, Hong Kong would have been quite dull during the past fortnight."

The *China Mail* also publishes the following letters from the neighbourhood of Peking, giving full accounts of the progress of the allied army :—

PU-SI-TSAI, SEPT. 22, 1860.—The first detachment of troops, consisting principally of cavalry, left Tientsin on the 8th September, and about 1,000 men followed the next day. The cavalry had halted only a few miles out of Tien-tsin, and were soon overtaken on the 9th. The column halted about half-a-mile to call Pu-k'au, which was about half deserted by its inhabitants. A market was soon established, principally by people who had followed us from Tien-tsin. Supplies were brought in, and everything was as comfortable as could be desired.

On the 10th we reached a large town called Yang-tsun where supplies were also easily obtained—400 sheep having been bought. Heavy rain fell on the afternoon, and the force was ordered to march on the 11th, from the muddy state of the road.

On the 12th the march was resumed, and a place called Nan-scai-tsun was reached, and on the 13th we arrived at Ho-si-wu, the largest town excepting Yangtsun we had seen on the march. At this place the opposition of the Chinese commenced, possibly because the town was found more deserted than any of the others, and although supplies were promised none were forthcoming. The troops, therefore, took what they could get in the place, which was finally completely plundered. We stayed here three days.

Each day's march on the way up discovered to us a more beautiful country than that which we had passed through on the preceding. As at Tien-tsin the neighbourhood, not a barren spot could be discovered; but the flatness of Nan-tsin was relieved by the trees and the hills which could be plainly seen in the morning.

Mr. Parkes and Colonel Walker usually rode on a-head with a small escort of cavalry to choose the encamping ground, and report on the state of the roads. At Ho-si-wu General Michell with the 1st Dragoons, the 99th, the 15th Punjabs, and some Artillery joined us, and the French also came up. Mr. Parkes rode on to Ma-tou and Tung-chau and made the usual arrangements for our encampment. He reported that Chinese troops were stationed at Tung-chau.

We left Ho-si-wu on the 17th, and after a very dusty march arrived at Ma-tou. Mr. Parkes rode on and passed the night at Tung-chau. Colonel Walker and his staff, and a Chinese officer accompanied him to a village within a short distance of Tung-chau. Mr. Parkes rode back to this village on the morning of the 18th, and seeing that a large number of Chinese troops had taken up a strong position on each side of the road through which we were to pass, he rode back to Tung-chau accompanied by Mr. Loch, Mr. de Norman, Mr. Bowlby, the *Times'* correspondent, Captain Brabazon, of the Artillery, another gentleman whose name I have forgotten, and Captain Anderson, with 20 Sikh Cavalry, to ask an explanation of the appearance of such a large force.

In the meantime the army (which had left Ma-tou early in the morning) had advanced to within a mile of Ho-ko-chuang, where the Chinese troops were assembled. Our attention was first attracted by a trench which had been dug across the road at a village about four miles from Ma-tou. A passage was made across, and our troops passed on, leaving the French at the village. About a mile from Ho-ko-chuang our troops halted, and a Chinese officer came out with a message to the effect that we might encamp where we were. He was told that we wanted to encamp on the other side of the village, as previously arranged by Mr. Parkes, where the river was; but he held to his request that we should encamp where we were, and offered to supply us with water. This offer was declined, but for the time we made no movement in advance, as the safety of our party within their lines gave the General considerable anxiety. The party, consisting of Colonel Walker, Mr. A. C. G. Thompson and five or six dragoons, were waiting the return of Mr. Parkes and his party from Tung-chau, when their attention was directed to a struggle between a Frenchman and some of the Chinese troops. The cause of the disturbance is not known, but it is thought that the Chinese wanted some pretext for beginning the day's work. Colonel Walker rode up to the rescue of the Frenchman but he was surrounded, deprived of his sword, and almost dragged from his horse. As the place was full of troops nothing was left for him and Mr. Thompson to do but to run the gauntlet. They escaped from the village, and got within our lines under a heavy fire from the Chinese. Mr. Thompson was wounded in the body by a spear thrust, and one of the dragoons was shot in the leg. The General lost no time in advancing the troops, and in about an hour the Chinese were cleared out of the village by the artillery and cavalry. The French drove them out of the encampment on our right, and protected the village in the rear, where all our baggage was. The position of the Chinese was well chosen, sheltering their camp, extended across on our front and out on our left and right in the form of a semicircle; and had we encamped where they wanted us, we should no doubt have been severely cut up in the night. After driving the Chinese from their position, we entered a small walled town called Chang-chiawan, where we remained the 19th and 20th. The place was looted.

On the 21st the allied army moved on in the direction of the canal between Tung-chau and Peking. I have no time to give you a detailed description of this day's work. The French advanced towards the stone bridge called Pa-li-Chain, a mile and a half west of Tung-chau, and the English upon the wooden bridge Pu-si-tsa, a little to the west of the stone bridge. The Chinese were assembled in force in front of these bridges, and the fight very soon commenced. After about two hours' firing we had driven the Chinese from their camps, of which there was one in nearly every cluster of trees; the French had taken the stone bridge on the right, and our right wing had taken the wooden bridge, whilst the Commander-in-Chief, with nearly all the cavalry, the 99th, and the Queen's, pursued the enemy two or three miles along the canal, from camp to camp towards Pekin. The cavalry charged three or four times, and slaughtered a considerable number. I don't think that our killed and wounded on the 18th and to-day amount to more than twenty-five. The French are encamped at the stone bridge, and we at the wooden bridge, about seven miles from Pekin. One of the roads to Pekin passes through our camp, and there are two more (one of them paved) on the north side of the canal.

A flag of truce was sent in to-day from Pekin with a letter, the purport of which is understood to be a request to re-open negociations. I have omitted to mention that Mr. Wade was sent on the 19th with a flag of truce to Tung-chau, and was fired at five times.

Mr. Parkes and his party are still detained. They are said to be in Pekin and well treated.

Another correspondent gives the following account :—

On the 9th instant, accordingly, a force consisting of the King's Dragoon Guards, Fane's and Probyn's Horse, Baring's, Desborough's, and Stirling's batteries, the Royal Marines, and 99th Regiment, the whole under the command of General Michell, marched past Tien-tsin, to a place called Pookoo, ten miles distant. On the following day they marched to Yang-tsin, eight miles further—the next day to Nan-tsin, eight miles further—and the next to Hoo-si-woo, when they halted for five days again, until the 2nd Queen's, the 60th Rifles, and some 2,000 French, came up. Almost the whole of the road for these last four marches was through endless fields of millet, extending as far as the eye could reach; and the camping ground at the end of each of them was nearly as comfortable as a bed of thorns, being upon half cut beds of millet, the spikes of which were nearly as sharp and as strong as those surrounding the Takn Forts, and had, I verily believe, been left so by the Tartars, in the hope that they would effectually prevent the advance without any further aid from their enemy. So far not one of them had shown his face within range since the dressing they got at Taku. At Hoo-si-woo, accordingly, Mr. Parkes was emboldened to ride forward to Mut-ow, about ten miles further on, attended by a cavalry escort and the gentlemen I have already mentioned, in order, I believe, to propose to the Chinese that if they would send to us our supplies of fuel, flour, &c., we would not molest them, but encamp outside—as we had previously done in the case of every village or town we had passed. As far as I can make out from the various reports I hear, they first of all told him that they would consent to furnish us with supplies, if we would agree to their selecting the camping ground for us, but on his replying that the general would agree to such a most condition, they immediately made him and all his companions prisoners, with the exception of a few King's Dragoon Guards, who succeeded in cutting their way out. Colonel Walker, of the Bays, and Mr. Thomson, of the Commissariat, who had ridden out in the same direction, were also very nearly taken prisoners, a French officer who accompanied them being cut to pieces. Colonel Walker also got away with the loss of his sword and a cut over the hand, and Mr. Thomp